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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Barbara Ann Butler upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, Barbara Ann Butler was born on February 21, 1916, on Maple Street in the City of Tonawanda; and WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and WHEREAS, Upon her graduation from Tonawanda High School, Barbara Ann Butler worked as a maid, waitress and cook, before moving to North Tonawanda in 1948; and WHEREAS, This distinguished woman has experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life; and WHEREAS, Active within her community, Barbara Ann Butler currently attends Our Lady of Czestochowa Roman Catholic Church in North Tonawanda: and WHEREAS, This beloved woman has enriched the lives of those around her through her joyous and sincere love for others and through the quiescent charm and wisdom which comes only from a fullness of years; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her two daughters, Mary Beth and Jamie, both of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those who have reached such a remarkable age and who have witnessed and celebrated the innovations, cultural developments and awesome achievements of this country during the last century, while themselves

contributing to the growth and excellence of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Barbara Ann Butler upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday;

and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Barbara Ann Butler.