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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Helena Erickson 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, Helena Erickson was born on March 4, 1916, in Aland, a chain of islands between Sweden and Finland; she was the 9th of 12 children born to Werner and Julia (Soderberg) Nordenfelt; and

WHEREAS, After immigrating to New York City in 1939, Helena Erickson married John-Erik Erickson, and together, they were the proud parents of two daughters, Greta Marlene and Ramona Elizabeth, and the loving grandparents of seven grandchildren, Erica, Christina, Erin, Shawn, John, Elizabeth and Christopher, as well as eight great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Today, this exceptional centenarian resides in Warwick, New York, with her granddaughter, Chrissy, and her husband Christian, as well as their two children, Carter and Charley; and

WHEREAS, Lovingly referred to as Mormor, this distinguished woman with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Helena Erickson 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, 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 Helena Erickson upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Helena Erickson.