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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Judith Culver Chapman 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, Judith Culver Chapman was born on the family farm in Armenia, New York, on April 13, 1916; she will celebrate her 100th Birthday at a party with her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the last Century, Judith Culver Chapman has lived through the Great Depression, two World Wars, and a multitude of technological advancements; and

WHEREAS, On January 1, 1942, Judith Culver married Stuart Chapman and together, they lived on 15 Knollwood Road in the Village of Rhinebeck for 58 years; and

WHEREAS, For numerous years, Judith Culver Chapman served as a teacher in the Red Hook School District and other area districts, a position from which she retired in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to the community in which she lives, Judith Culver Chapman is an active and well-respected member of the Rhinebeck Dutch Reformed Church and the Shepherd Knitting Group; in addition, she volunteers her time and energy at The Northern Dutchess Hospital Exchange Shop and the Third Lutheran Braille workshops; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman enjoys spending time with her family, knitting and crocheting, and playing Rummikub; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her devoted children, Richard

and Pamela; and her nine treasured grandchildren, Becky, John, Jennifer, Kimbrie, James, Christopher, Thomas, Steven and Christopher; as well as numerous great-grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; 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, 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, 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 Judith Culver Chapman upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judith Culver Chapman.