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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Millie Berry upon the occasion of celebrating her 107th 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, Millie Berry was born on May 25, 1909, in New York City; she was third of nine children and today, she is the sole living survivor; and

WHEREAS, Millie married the late Leroy Edward Berry and together they had three daughters, Dorothy Lonon, the late Carolyn France and Bernice Berry; at present, she is the loving grandmother of three granddaughters, Yvette Beasley, Pamela Lonon and Kim Armstead, and four great-grandchildren, Quase Beasley, Solange Beasley, Malik Armstead, Jr. and Max Armstead; and

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

WHEREAS, Millie Berry was a stay at home mom who loved to travel and dance; she was active in her community helping form a Social Club and becoming the Business Manager; 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, Millie Berry 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 Millie Berry upon the occasion of celebrating her 107th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Millie Berry.