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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques 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, Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques was born on August 15, 1913; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes great pleasure in congratulating Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Born in Beaumont, Haiti, Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques moved to the United States at the age of 85 in order to live with her daughter in Elmont, New York; and

WHEREAS, Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques was married to the late Saul Sanon; she is the proud mother of eight children, and the devoted grandmother of more than 45 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; she continues to grace each generation with words of wisdom and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, A distinguished woman, Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques 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, 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 Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marie Evelina Sanon Saint-Jacques.