

## 2013-K831

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Virginia Synkowski 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, Virginia Synkowski was born on February 12, 1914, to Charles and Mary (Kulik) Samel, in Oswego, New York; and

WHEREAS, As a small child, Virginia Synkowski and her family moved to New York Mills, New York; she attended New York Mills High School, and was baptized at St. Mary's, Our Lady of Czestohowa, where she is still a member today; a lifetime member of the congregation, she is active with the Sacred Heart/Rosary Society, and sings on the church choir; and

WHEREAS, On September 10, 1939, Virginia Synkowski married her husband, the late Jack Synkowski, and together they raised three daughters; and

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

WHEREAS, During the 1950s and 1960s, Virginia Synkowski worked in the office of A.D. Julliard Co., Mill No. 3; she retired from the Oneida County Finance Department in 1985; and

WHEREAS, An avid volunteer, Virginia Synkowski is a supporter of the Steven Swan Humane Society; she was a Candy Stripper at St. Elizabeth Hospital for many years, a Hope House volunteer, and a Trustee at St. Mary's for a decade; 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, In addition to her husband, the late Jack Synkowski, with her throughout have been her three daughters, Mary Ann (John), Jayne and Judith Ann, two grandchildren, Stephanie (James) and John III (Nathalie), and four great-grandchildren, Amanda, John IV, Nicolas and Stefane, all 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 Virginia Synkowski upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Virginia Synkowski.