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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Edwin N. Pierce upon the occasion of celebrating his 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, Older New Yorkers bring their special wisdom, experience and enthusiasm to countless endeavors, helping to shape and strengthen the character of our communities and the quality of our lives; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Edwin N. Pierce upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; a party was held in his honor at the First Presbyterian Church in Canton, New York, with many friends and family in attendance, coming from many states including Florida, Michigan, and Massachusetts; and WHEREAS, Edwin N. Pierce was born on September 4, 1913, and is wellknown in the Canton community for his work at the Farm Credit Association; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; and WHEREAS, This distinguished man 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 man has enriched the lives of those around him through his 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 Edwin N. Pierce upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Edwin N. Pierce.