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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Ernestine Freisinger upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday

WHEREAS, Senior citizens being 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, Ernestine Freisinger, affectionately known as Erna, was born on July 4, 1912, in Vienna, Austria; and

WHEREAS, Ernestine Freisinger emigrated from Austria to the United States when she was 28 years old, and has been a resident of Warwick, New York, since 1941; currently, she resides at Schervier Pavilion nursing facility; and

WHEREAS, A former member of the Warwick Art League and an award-winning artist, Ernestine Freisinger's paintings have been shown throughout the region, and many are displayed in the homes of local residents; her artwork was once selected for the cover of the Warwick Valley Telephone Company's directory; and

WHEREAS, Ernestine Freisinger credits her own longevity to having a loving family, as well as the healthcare she receives at Schervier Pavilion; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Dr. H.R. Freisinger, until his passing, and she is the loving mother of her son, Dr. Gerard Freisinger, as well as the loving grandmother of two grandchildren, Patricia and Suzanne, and five great-grandchildren, Matthew, Timothy, Sam, Maggie, and Carson, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; 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 Ernestine Freisinger upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ernestine Freisinger.