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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Michael Anthony DeSant 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, Michael Anthony DeSant was born on April 23, 1915; at the age of 17, he joined the Patchogue Fire Department; and WHEREAS, From 1941 to 1945, Michael Anthony DeSant served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Army; he was stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in Company 1, 134th Medical Regiment before being assigned to the 3rd Railway Service in the Persian Gulf Command where he was attached to the British Rail Service for three years; during his valiant military service, he traveled throughout Iran and Iraq; and WHEREAS, For 35 years, Michael Anthony DeSant served as an Engineer for the Long Island Railroad; he retired in 1975 after many years of distinguished service; and WHEREAS, Prior to joining the Long Island Railroad, Michael Anthony DeSant worked at the Patchogue Lace Mill; and WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; and WHEREAS, Michael Anthony DeSant married the former Jennie Caprino on October 29, 1950; together, they raised a daughter, Michaelyn; 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, Michael Anthony DeSant of Blue Point, New York, 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 Michael Anthony DeSant upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael Anthony DeSant.