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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Christina M. Schwartzentruber 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 area vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, Christina M. Martin was born on July 31, 1915, to Barbara and Andrew Martin; her loving family helped celebrate this momentous occasion at a party held in her honor at Good O'Wishy's, Croghan, New York, on Saturday, August 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, the Martinsburg Historical Society commemorated Christina's 100th Birthday by hosting the 10th Mountain Division Band Concert on Saturday, August 8, 2015; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable centenarian grew up on the family farm and attended country schools until the eighth grade; and

WHEREAS, On April 18, 1934, Christina M. Martin, affectionately known as Tiny, married her husband, John M. Schwartzentruber in Lowville, New York; through the years, the couple had four children, whom Christina relished nurturing and caring for; and

WHEREAS, In addition to raising her family, Christina M. Schwartzentruber helped on their farm and enjoyed reading, knitting and crocheting; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to her community, Christina M. Schwartzentruber was a vital member of the Pine Grove Mennonite Church, Naumburg, New York, and an active participant of the Martinsburg Historical Society; 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, Along with her deceased husband, John M. Schwartzentruber, and her son, Allyn R., with her throughout have been her three children, Milford J., Roger A., and Nelsen K. (Bernadine), and her three grand-children, as well as her three great-grandchildren, 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 Christina M. Schwartzentruber upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christina M. Schwartzentruber.