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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mary Avoli 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, Mary Antinelli was born on January 21, 1915, to Pio and Lorenza Antinelli in Geneva, New York; she was happily raised alongside her six siblings, Dewey, Albert, Alfred, Palma, Antonia and Mildred; and

WHEREAS, Mary Avoli will celebrate her 100th Birthday at a party held in her honor at the West North Street Apartments Community Center Room, Geneva, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, On November 8, 1941, Mary Antinelli married her husband, James Avoli in Geneva, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, Mary Avoli was employed as a server at the former Pumpnickel Restaurant and held the position of Manager at the Geneva Rod and Gun Club; in addition, she was the co-owner of Sunset Bowl; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the city in which she both lived and worked, Mary Avoli was a volunteer for the Geneva Center of Concern and a member of the Geneva American Italian Ladies (GAIL) Lodge No. 2397A; she was also a faithful participant of the Our Lady of Peace Parish Rosary Society, St. Francis deSales Church; 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 Mary Avoli upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Avoli.