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Senate Resolution No. 2931

BY: Senator YOUNG

CONGRATULATING Thelma Burchard upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate and recognize certain milestones celebrated by citizens of this great Nation and Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Thelma Burchard upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Thelma Burchard was born on May 24, 1915, in Greenfield, lowa, to parents Irven and Pearl Young; she attended school at Sherburne High School in Sherburne, New York; and

WHEREAS, Thelma Burchard worked in a knitting mill in Norwich after high school; she also worked in a factory making magnetos which are electrical generators that were used in the ignition systems of airplanes during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Thelma married her husband, Lester Burchard in 1936, before he was drafted into the United States Army in 1943; together, they had two daughters, Brenda and Barbara; she has been further blessed with four grandchildren, Elaine, David, Tanya, and Jesse, and six great-grandchildren, Jamal, Maija, Evan, Natalie, Bryn, and Sadie; and

WHEREAS, On Thelma Burchard's 102nd birthday in May, her daughters had lunch with her at Moonwinks Restaurant and then took a "mystery ride" along the Cuba areas backroads, as this was always one of Thelma's favorite things to do; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize and honor the lives of beloved citizens who have reached a remarkable age and who have witnessed and celebrated the outstanding innovations, cultural developments, and awesome achievements of this country during the last century; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Thelma Burchard upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Thelma Burchard.