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Senate Resolution No. 3524

BY: Senator LITTLE

CONGRATULATING Horace H. Scott upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday

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

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Horace H. Scott upon the occasion of his 100th Birthday celebrated with his family at his daughter's home on Christmas Day of 2017; and

WHEREAS, Horace H. Scott was born on December 25, 1917, in Poultney, Vermont; he grew up in Whitehall, New York, where he got his first job at the young age of 10; and

WHEREAS, An exceptional athlete, Horace H. Scott was a vital member of his school's football team; when he was not earning money or at

school, he liked to work with wood, and spend time outdoors hiking and camping; and

WHEREAS, As a young man, Horace H. Scott excitedly purchased his first vehicle, a Dodge G-Boy; he still recalls driving to the swimming hole in that fancy car with all of his friends; and

WHEREAS, In 1938, Horace H. Scott married his late wife, Harriett Carpenter, on his birthday; it was a perfect day to celebrate Christmas, Horace's birthday, and a wedding; Harriett and Horace proudly raised three children, and were the loving grandparents of nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Horace H. Scott proudly served his country as a member of the National Guard; he was scheduled to be deployed to Europe in September of 1945, but World War II had already ended; and

WHEREAS, Horace H. Scott worked at and eventually ran two businesses with his father, Harold Scott, Scott Funeral Home in Whitehall and Scott Furniture in both Granville and Whitehall; and

WHEREAS, A vital and active member of his community, Horace H. Scott was elected Mayor of Whitehall, and during the 1960s and 1970s, he served as Town Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Horace H. Scott accomplished numerous goals such as eliminating the deadly Route 4 overpass in Comstock, New York; he also attracted new businesses to the area, built

a water tower on Skene Mountain and lobbied for a wing to be built at the Skenesborough Museum; and WHEREAS, For his steadfast and unremitting commitment to Washington County, Horace H. Scott was the recipient of the 1985 Liberty Bell Award; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 65, Horace H. Scott put his heart and soul into building a cabin for himself in the woods, lugging each stone and board to the top of the hill; he truly enjoyed the solitude and his peaceful place in the middle of nature; he spent hours hiking through the lush forest and whittling sticks he found into walking staffs; and

WHEREAS, Horace H. Scott, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; 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, Horace H. Scott 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 Horace H. Scott upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Horace H. Scott.