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Senate Resolution No. 5149

BY: Senator DEFRANCISCO

COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of Maxwell
Memorial Library in Camillus, New York

WHEREAS, Libraries, and the educational and social benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, It is the tradition of the State of New York to pay tribute to those exemplary institutions within our midst that are dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and fully in according with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Maxwell Memorial Library to be celebrated on Saturday, May 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Maxwell Memorial Library will commemorate 100 years of success with the celebration to include visual and oral history exhibits of Camillus and the library, musical entertainment, children's events, and a library birthday cake; and

WHEREAS, Maxwell Memorial Library, a member of the Onondaga County Public Libraries System, is dedicated to providing facilities and materials for education, recreation, personal growth and information to the residents of the Town of Camillus and the western side of Onondaga

County; and

WHEREAS, Established as Camillus Library on May 26, 1918, Maxwell Memorial Library moved to its present location on the corner of Genesee Street and Leroy Street in the Village of Camillus in 1928; and

WHEREAS, Thirty years later, in 1958, the Camillus Library was renamed Maxwell Memorial Library in honor of librarian Mary Maxwell; and

WHEREAS, The building where Maxwell Memorial Library currently resides was built around 1868, and formerly served as a church; and

WHEREAS, Maxwell Memorial Library offers a wide variety of contemporary materials, programs and services, including: an in-depth collection of best-selling books in print, audio and digital formats; popular DVDs and streaming movies; children's materials, computers, and creative activities; free public computer and wi-fi access; print periodicals; extensive research materials online and in print; and informative, educational, and entertaining programs for adults, teens and children; and

WHEREAS, Maxwell Memorial Library also offers opportunities to become involved with book clubs, preschool and toddler story times, and volunteer service; additionally, the library has an excellent summer reading program for babies through teens, with the ever-popular Wild Wednesday family nights; and

WHEREAS, Maxwell Memorial Library is supported by an active Friends group that holds regular fundraising events for the library; The Friends of Maxwell Memorial Library will be celebrating their 25th year of existence in 2018; and

WHEREAS, For the past 100 years, Maxwell Memorial Library has informed, enriched and empowered every person in its community by promoting easy access to a vast array of ideas and information, and by supporting an informed citizenry, lifelong learning and a love of reading, while providing people-oriented library services; and

WHEREAS, Steeped in distinguished history, Maxwell Memorial Library may take just pride in its growth, as it looks forward to continuing to serve the educational, cultural, and intellectual needs of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Maxwell Memorial Library; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Amanda Perrine, Director of the Maxwell Memorial Library.