Senate Resolution No. 5358

**BY: Senator GRIFFO** 

CONGRATULATING Congetta Spinelli upon the occasion of celebrating her 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 Congetta Spinelli upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday to be celebrated on December 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Congetta Mastroianni, affectionately known as Connie, was born to Anthony and Theresa Mastroianni on December 8, 1918, in Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, On October 19, 1940, Congetta married her late husband, Chester Spinelli in Rome, New York; together, the couple raised two children; for many years, Congetta worked at Griffiss Air Force Base; WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her two children, Frank
(Patricia) and Joan (Thomas); her six grandchildren, Thomas, Michael,
Todd, Robert, Cristi and Sharyl; and her 11 great-grandchildren,
Anthony, Jack, Marisa, Emily, Sophia, Liliana, Mia, Addylen, Nicholas,
Jace and Jenna, all of whom have shown her love and support and rejoice
in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Congetta Spinelli, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian 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, Congetta Spinelli 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 Congetta Spinelli upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Congetta Spinelli.