Senate Resolution No. 5448

**BY: Senator LITTLE** 

HONORING Virginia Raymond upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Senior of the Year from Warren County on June 1, 2018

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Virginia Raymond upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Senior of the Year from Warren County at the 45th Annual Senior Luncheon on Friday, June 1, 2018, at the Holiday Inn, Lake George, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born in Vermont, Virginia "Ginny" Raymond was raised on a farm with her 12 siblings; she spent six years in Burlington, working for an insurance agency before becoming a military wife and traveling all over the United States; and

WHEREAS, After moving to North Carolina in 1977, Virginia Raymond spent her illustrious 23-year career working for a local insurance office until her retirement in 2000; and

WHEREAS, A current resident of North Creek, New York, Virginia

Raymond has spent her retirement tirelessly volunteering for numerous organizations, including the Johnsburg Senior Nutrition site as well as the Town of Johnsburg Senior Center group where she has been truly instrumental in its success; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, this extraordinary woman is the leader of the Osteo-Busters group and a Chairperson for the Bridge Club; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Raymond is an active member of the St. James Church, where she is past Secretary of the Parish Council; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Virginia Raymond has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her five children, 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, who have all shown her love and support and rejoice in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Raymond, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her

volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Virginia Raymond upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Senior of the Year from Warren County on June 1, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Virginia Raymond.