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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Helen Murphy upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Helen Murphy upon the occasion of celebrating her 102nd Birthday; 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, Born on January 31, 1911, in Brooklyn, New York, Helen Murphy was one of seven children; and

WHEREAS, While she has held many different jobs, Helen Murphy primarily worked as a secretary for the Eastern Steamship Company, the State Department, Voice of America, and the Texaco Oil Company from which she retired in 1963; and

WHEREAS, A former resident of Florida, Helen Murphy also worked as a secretary for the MIAMI HERALD and for a number of community organizations including the Hallandale Garden Club; and

WHEREAS, As a younger woman, Helen Murphy enjoyed travelling, cruises, golfing, and bowling, an activity where she's won many trophies and medals; and

WHEREAS, Helen Murphy has been predeceased by three husbands, Lincoln Cook, Alan Kurtz and Stanley Murphy; she is a loving and proud mother, grandmother and great-grandmother; and

WHEREAS, Helen Murphy is a parishioner of Saint Thomas Roman Catholic Church in Cornwall, New York, and a member of the Catholic Daughters of America; and

WHEREAS, A resident of the Idlewild Creek Senior Housing Complex in Cornwall, Helen Murphy enjoys playing cards, reading, knitting, spending time with her family and participating in Idlewild's many social events; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, This beloved woman 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 Helen Murphy upon the occasion of her 102nd Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Helen Murphy.