

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating John H. Stroud upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday

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, John "Bud" Stroud was born on April 19, 1913; a 100th birthday celebration in his honor will take place on Sunday, May 26, 2013; and

WHEREAS, A Greenburgh, New York, resident all his life, John Stroud was the first Black President of the White Plains Lions Club, International; he was president of the Parkway Homes Civic Association, founder of the Parkway Homes Scholarship Fund, auxiliary policeman for the Town of Greenburgh, member of the Zoning Board for the Town of Greenburgh, board member for the Westchester Debutante Cotillion, and lifetime member of the NAACP as well as serving on many other organizations in efforts to promote racial equality and good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian, 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, This beloved man 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 John H. Stroud upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John H. Stroud.