LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Mildred K. Rugar upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday

WHEREAS, Mildred K. Rugar of Elmira, New York, was born on February 8, 1913 in Minnesota and will joyously celebrate her 100th Birthday at a party to be held in her honor at the Elmira Holiday Inn on February 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mildred K. Rugar is a graduate of Stanford University and Elmira College; she taught Elementary School in California and New York and, in 1978, she retired from teaching Fourth, Fifth and Sixth grades in the Horseheads Central School District; and

WHEREAS, Mildred K. Rugar has been active in the New York State Retired Teachers' Association since 1980 and attended its Annual Convention for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, She is a Past President of the Elmira Area Teachers Association and the NYSRTA Southern Zone; a Past State Representative on NYSRTA's Legislative Action Committee and is a current Federal Representative on the Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mildred K. Rugar has, in addition, for 18 years, been an active and valued Tutor in the Adult Literacy Volunteers Program for Chemung & Schuyler Counties' Economic Opportunity Program; and

WHEREAS, Mildred K. Rugar is also an avid Bridge player, a Master of the King's English, and a world traveler, often taking three trips a year, mostly to foreign destinations; and

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

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman, who has experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life, has inspired the lives of her many friends and family; and

WHEREAS, This beloved lady 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 Mildred K. Rugar upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mildred K. Rugar.