LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Margaret Burger upon the occasion of celebrating her 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, Margaret Burger was born to Margaret and Fred Schumacher on June 19, 1916, in Matamoras, Pennsylvania; she will celebrate this momentous occasion with a family party on Sunday, June 19, 2016, and with her Deerpark Reformed Church family on Sunday, June 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, In 1934, Margaret Schumacher and Bill Burger were married after a six-month courtship; together, the couple owned and operated Burger's Music Shop for many years; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong tri-state area resident, Margaret Burger enjoys assisting with the Meals on Wheels Program and keeps busy as a volunteer in both her church and community; and

WHEREAS, Well-liked by many, Margaret Burger attributes her long life to staying active, eating well and just living life the only way she knows how; and

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

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her daughter, Mary Ann Gemmilo, her three grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren, as well as her late husband, Bill Burger, all of whom have felt privileged to be a part of her life and rejoiced in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman 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 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 Margaret Burger upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Margaret Burger.