

BY: Senator PERSAUD

CONGRATULATING Marie Jones upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commemorate and recognize certain milestones celebrated by citizens of this great Empire State; 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Marie Jones upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday on Friday, February 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Born on February 19, 1921, Marie Jones was raised in Georgia and moved to the Lower East Side of New York City in 1945; in 1960, she moved to Cleveland Street in Brooklyn, where she has remained and continues to reside today; and

WHEREAS, Marie Jones worked for Sweet N' Low for 30 years before her retirement; she is the proud mother of two children, Edward Jones and Arlpha Andrews; and

WHEREAS, A woman of indomitable faith, love and dedication, Marie Jones remains steadfast in the fact that throughout her life, her greatest accomplishment has been her service to the Lord and her Faith, and her greatest life lesson is to "love everybody, regardless of who they are or what they do because God is love"; and

WHEREAS, Marie Jones, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional centenarian 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, Marie Jones 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 Marie Jones upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marie Jones.