

BY: Senator KAPLAN

CONGRATULATING Dominic Critelli upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday on April 8, 2021

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Dominic Critelli upon the occasion of observing his 100th Birthday; due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the residents of Floral Park, New York, will honor this valiant World War II veteran with a Drive-by Parade beginning at the Sewanhaka High School parking lot on Sunday, April 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, In addition to Dominic Critelli, several other World War II heroes will ride in the parade in World War II military vehicles and then join him in his front yard to celebrate this special milestone; and

WHEREAS, Dominic Critelli, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, is reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those patriotic and civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; Dominic Critelli is one such individual; 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, Dominic Critelli 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 Dominic Critelli upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dominic Critelli.