BY: Senator GRIFFO

**COMMENDING** the Singing Hills Seniors upon the occasion of the celebration of its 50th Anniversary on April 10, 2018

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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose purposeful endeavors serve to enhance the quality of life for the cherished senior citizens in their communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Singing Hills Seniors upon the occasion of the celebration of its 50th Anniversary on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at the Town of Trenton Municipal Building; and

WHEREAS, The first meeting of the Singing Hills Seniors took place on March 26, 1968, at Park Methodist Church with 35 members in attendance; and

WHEREAS, The Singing Hills Seniors perform numerous activities throughout the year, including: May and Christmas parties, two or three summer bus trips, covered dish luncheons, crafts and sing and square dances; and

WHEREAS, Along the way, they eliminated the singing and square dancing, and added another bus trip plus 24 trips a year to casino, bowling and AARP defensive driving classes, tray favors on holidays for hospitalized patients and 25 sunshine baskets for shut-ins at Christmastime; in addition, the Singing Hills Seniors help local schools with their fundraising; and

WHEREAS, Today, the current membership of the Singing Hills Seniors is 166; furthermore, in the 50 years since its inception, the Singing Hills Seniors has only had four directors which is a true testament to commitment and loyalty; and

WHEREAS, This significant milestone is an excellent opportunity to recognize the special contributions of Singing Hills Seniors and the dedicated individuals who strive to better the quality of life for senior citizens in the community; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize and celebrate the legacy of New York's senior citizens who have experienced tumultuous changes in the 20th Century, including the dawn of the nuclear age, the rise of the computer, and the proliferation of the automobile, television, technology and so many other innovations of the

American spirit, and who now represent a great and willing source of knowledge available to our great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Singing Hills Seniors upon the occasion of the celebration of its 50th Anniversary on April 10, 2018; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Singing Hills Seniors.