BY: Senator GRIFFO

**CONGRATULATING** Irene Camardo 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, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commemorate and recognize certain milestones celebrated by citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Irene Camardo upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday celebrated Saturday, September 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Irene Camardo, affectionately known as Nikki, was born on September 28, 1921, to Adolph and Mae (Weiler) Seelman; she was one of nine children; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in West Leyden, New York, Irene Camardo attended West Leyden Central School; upon graduation, she diligently worked at various manufacturing plants during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Peter Camardo and the former Irene Seelman were united in marriage in Richfield Springs, New York on September 11, 1948; together they lovingly raised two daughters, Linda (Mike) and Laurie (Peter); today, she is the proud grandmother of six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her life, Irene Seelman has had many passions and hobbies, including antiquing, fashion, reading, collecting JFK memorabilia, traveling to Ogunquit, Maine and anything having to do with the New York Yankees; and

WHEREAS, Irene Camardo, 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, Irene Camardo 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 Irene Camardo upon the occasion of celebrating her 100th Birthday; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Irene Camardo.