

BY: Senator AKSHAR

CONGRATULATING Josephine Sprague 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 Josephine Sprague upon the occasion of her 100th Birthday to be celebrated July 5, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Rozelle, born July 5, 1922, 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, Josephine Sprague and her husband of 77 years, William Howard Sprague, were united in marriage on October 27, 1945; and

WHEREAS, With her zest for life, Josephine Sprague has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Josephine Sprague worked for a military support contractor during World War II; her idol was the renowned Rosie the Riveter, an embodiment and symbol of the strength and importance of women in the workforce during wartime; 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, Josephine Sprague 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 Josephine Sprague upon the occasion of celebrating her

100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Josephine Sprague.