

**BY:** Senator RITCHIE

**CONGRATULATING** Evelyn Mary Washburn upon the occasion of celebrating her 105th Birthday on April 15, 2021

**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 Evelyn Mary Washburn of St. Lawrence County upon the occasion of celebrating her 105th Birthday; and

**WHEREAS,** A resident of Hailesboro, Evelyn Mary Washburn, who is known by friends and family as "Mary" or "Aunt Mary" was born in Gouverneur, New York, on April 15, 1916; and

**WHEREAS,** Evelyn Mary Washburn is a 1953 graduate of Gouverneur High School; she also attended St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York; New York University, New York City; and Simmons University, Boston, Massachusetts; and

**WHEREAS,** A veteran, Evelyn Mary Washburn served her country as a nurse in the United States Navy during WWII, and was stationed at Camp Perry, Williamsburg, Virginia; her orders were to leave for the war zone as a nurse with the Seabees, however the war ended before she departed; and

**WHEREAS,** Evelyn Mary Washburn's career also included time working for the New York State Department of Health, and the Jefferson Rehabilitation Center in Watertown; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout her life, Evelyn Mary Washburn has had many passions and hobbies, including music, golf, bowling and involvement with the American Legion; and

**WHEREAS,** Family has always been a cornerstone of Evelyn Mary Washburn's life, as she is beloved by many family members and in turn, takes great pride in her loved ones, their accomplishments and the bond they all share; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the tradition 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 Evelyn Mary Washburn upon the occasion of celebrating her

105th Birthday; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Evelyn Mary Washburn.