

Assembly Resolution No. 1055

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CONGRATULATING Leo Malone upon the occasion of celebrating his 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 Leo Malone upon the occasion of his 100th Birthday; and

WHEREAS, Leo Malone, son of John Edward Malone and Anna Gray, was born on June 27, 1922; and

WHEREAS, He grew up in a large family with numerous siblings and cousins, always surrounded by good company at his family's frequent Sunday dinners; and

WHEREAS, Joining the United States Army Air Corps in 1942, Leo Malone trained to be an airplane engine mechanic; he went to Stewart Technical School in New York City to hone his craft, and later worked on B-17 airplanes; and

WHEREAS, He was stationed at Honington Air Base in England where he was both a mechanic and part of the Salvage Crew; he and his team would go to crash sites and salvage what they could of a crashed airplane; and

WHEREAS, Leo Malone was honorably discharged on December 23, 1945; and

WHEREAS, He had earned the Marksman Medal, European Theater of Operation Medal, and the "Ruptured Duck" Medal for his honorable discharge; and

WHEREAS, He married his beloved wife, Alma Laws, on June 21, 1947; they were married for 58 joy-filled years; and

WHEREAS, Leo Malone is the father of six cherished children, Stanley, Douglas, Timothy, Daniel, Rebecca, and Terri; and

WHEREAS, Leo Malone, with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; 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, Leo Malone has enriched the lives of those around him through his joyous and sincere love for others and through the vibrant charm and infinite 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 Leo Malone upon the occasion of celebrating his 100th Birthday; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leo Malone.