Senate Resolution No. 2000

BY: Senator STEC

CONGRATULATING Irene Martin upon the occasion of celebrating her 101st 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 Martin upon the occasion of her 101st Birthday, which she celebrated with family on Sunday, March 3, 2024, at Dechantel Apartments in Saranac Lake, New York, where she lives independently; and

WHEREAS, Born on March 2, 1923, in Malone, New York, Irene Martin grew up alongside her five sisters and one brother in Saranac Lake, New York; as a child she loved ice skating at the high school and swimming at the Lake Flower beach; and

WHEREAS, Irene Martin married the love of her life, Emery, in 1943; together, the couple built a beautiful life together, including raising their three sons, each five years apart; Emery died in 1999; Irene worked for many years at the Saranac Lake jewelry store; she also babysat for children within the local community for several years; and

WHEREAS, Today, Irene Martin enjoys spending time with her family, especially her children and grandchildren; she loves to listen to Elvis Presley and playing board games, as well as crocheting and knitting baby sweaters for churches; and

WHEREAS, Irene Martin, with her zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of her family and friends; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman 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 Martin has enriched the lives of those around her through her joyous and sincere love for others and through the profound 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 Martin upon the occasion of celebrating her 101st Birthday; and be it further

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