

Proclamation

WHEREAS, it is indeed proper to honor those institutions that have served in so many ways as a point of pride throughout our region,

WHEREAS, we gather today to recognize COLGATE UNIVERSITY on its 200th anniversary on 'Charter Day' as a contributor to the intellectual growth of tens of thousands of students, and as a positive force in the community, and upstate New York;

WHEREAS, it was founded in 1819 as the Baptist Education Society of New York, going through several other name changes. In 1846, the State Legislature gave the college, known then as Madison University, a charter to confer degrees. It became Colgate University in 1890. During both World Wars I and II, it served as a preparatory school for the Army and Navy.

WHEREAS, COLGATE UNIVERSITY became well known for its international study groups that travelled the world, and for its alumni, who have included many national and international figures. In 2012, it raised a record \$480 million, including \$141.5 million for financial aid. Today, the university has over 34,000 living, loyal alumni in 91 countries. Its growth is assured by plans for the Vision for Colgate University's Third Century, which will ensure it remains a first-rate, world renowned academic institution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Congress of the United States, I join in congratulating Colgate University on its bicentennial.



Proclaimed this 5th day of March, 2019

Anthony Brindisi

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United State House of Representatives*