

## PROCLAMATION

### CELEBRATING THE 200<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF COLGATE UNIVERSITY

**WHEREAS**, on March 5, 1819, the New York State Assembly granted a charter to the Baptist Education Society of New York, formally founding the institution that would become Colgate University in 1890; and

**WHEREAS**, Colgate University is known as one of the most beautiful campuses in the country on their 575-acre campus in the Village of Hamilton, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, in times of war, Colgate shifted priorities from academics to military preparation, especially during World War II when over 1,200 men were enrolled in Colgate's military programs, the largest one being "The Naval Flight Preparatory School," which was rated second among the Naval Flight Preparatory Schools in the country; and

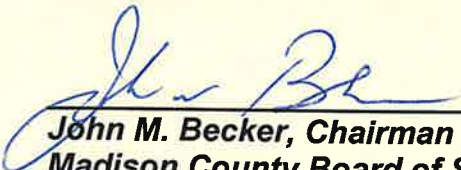
**WHEREAS**, generations of Colgate graduates from around the nation and the world along with first rate faculty have made the university a leading American liberal arts institution that is a point of pride throughout our region; and

**WHEREAS**, Colgate's continued growth and success is assured with Colgate University's Third-Century Plan to guide the trustees, administration and faculty into the future;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Madison County Board of Supervisors proudly recognizes and congratulates Colgate University on their 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for their rich history, successes and continuing contributions to their community, the County of Madison and the world.



Given under my hand and the seal of  
Madison County in Wampsville, New York  
on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August in the Year  
Two Thousand and Nineteen.

  
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John M. Becker, Chairman  
Madison County Board of Supervisors