LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of SUNY Delhi to be celebrated May 4, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishments clearly demonstrate the pursuit of excellence in education and service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of SUNY Delhi; to be celebrated at its Centennial Gala on May 4, 2013, at the Farrell Student and Community Center, Delhi, New York; and

WHEREAS, A State School of Agriculture and Domestic Science at Delhi was first proposed by Elizabeth MacDonald; through her strong determination, dedication, and the support of a group of Delhi citizens, Governor William Sulzer signed legislation in 1913, to create what is now known as SUNY Delhi; and

WHEREAS, The College is nestled in the majestic Catskill Mountains, and to many of its inhabitants, it is one of the most picturesque settings one could imagine; and

WHEREAS, What began as nine students, one director, and two instructors on October 14, 1915 when SUNY Delhi first opened its doors, has remarkably grown to inspire the minds and change the lives of the more than 30,000 alumni it encompasses today; and

WHEREAS, From its earliest beginnings SUNY Delhi's colors have been green and white, but in 2007, in accordance with its long-standing mission of fostering achievement and success, the color gold was introduced; and

WHEREAS, In 1948, Delhi became part of the State University of New York, the largest comprehensive system of universities, colleges, and community colleges in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous and experienced leadership of its President Candace S. Vancko, THE NEW YORK TIMES ranked SUNY Delhi as having the eighth best baccalaureate graduation rate in the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when an educational institution of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of SUNY Delhi; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Candace S. Vancko, President of SUNY Delhi.