

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Village of Minoa

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the distinguished histories of communities across 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 commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Village of Minoa, in Onondaga County, New York, to be celebrated with a public Centennial Celebration at the Minoa Municipal Building on January 25, 2013; and

WHEREAS, For the last century, the Village of Minoa has proudly stood as a close-knit, safe and growing community in the Eastern suburb of Onondaga County; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Minoa, which was first settled by railroad workers in the early 1800s, was incorporated on January 12, 1913; and

WHEREAS, Even though women were not allowed to vote until 1920 when the 19th amendment was passed, a woman could vote in a village election, if she owned property within the limits of the area; and

WHEREAS, Realizing the need for a governing body and centralized services, a strong group of female property owners in Minoa banded together and voted "yes" in 1913 to incorporate Minoa that year; and

WHEREAS, Since its incorporation, the Village of Minoa has grown to nearly 3,400 residents; the Village provides these residents with various municipal services and with police protection provided by the Town of Manlius; public education for children is provided through the East Syracuse-Minoa School District, one of 11 comprehensive districts in the State; and

WHEREAS, The history of the Village of Minoa is marked by, but not limited to, several modern advancements, such as Minoa's innovative "green" water project at its wastewater treatment plant, which attracts visitors from throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The Waste Water Treatment Facility/Cleanwater Educational Research Facility in the Village of Minoa has continued to offer educational internships through SUNY ESF and East-Syracuse Minoa; the Village was even chosen by the New York Conference of Mayors to provide a seminar on this innovative project at the Department of Public Works Fall School held in Saratoga Springs; and

WHEREAS, During decades of growth and change, the Village of Minoa has continued its commitment to enhancing the quality of life for its residents, ensuring a safe, peaceful and educational climate for individuals and families, while working toward sustainability; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Village of Minoa to be celebrated with a Centennial Celebration on January 25, 2013, recognizing the significance of the role it continues to play in the life of the community of the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Mayor of the Village of Minoa, Richard J. Donovan.