LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Cattaraugus County Museum

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and acknowledge certain institutions which improve the quality of life for individuals and communities within this great Empire State through historical and educational resources; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with this long-standing tradition, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Cattaraugus County Museum on the occasion of celebrating its 100th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, It is important local communities protect and preserve their history to share with current and future generations; the Cattaraugus County Museum was dedicated in September of 1914, as a commemoration to the life and times of Civil War veterans; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the last century, the museum has developed into a facility which perpetuates the memory of the men and women who originally settled in the county and contributed to its spiritual, cultural, agricultural, and industrial development; and

WHEREAS, The museum collects, preserves, maintains, and displays the many antiques, artifacts, and historic documents which have had a direct impact on the heritage of Cattaraugus County; the museum's staff and volunteers take pride in knowing all museum resources are used for recreational and educational purposes which are made readily available for the public; and

WHEREAS, The museum was originally erected in Little Valley, New York, but is now housed in the Cattaraugus County Home, Farm, and Infirmary which was formerly known as the Alms House and Insane Asylum; this is the sole remaining building of the Nineteenth Century in the county; and

WHEREAS, The Alms House was built in 1868 to house those with developmental disabilities, and abandoned men, women, and children of Cattaraugus County; the museum was officially moved into this building in September of 2004; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate milestones in the histories of certain exceptional institutions in this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

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

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Cattaraugus County Museum.