

## 2013-J731

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of The Hicksville Gregory Museum

WHEREAS, it is the sense of, this Legislative Body that the quality of life of the citizens of the State of New York is greatly enriched by its exceptional cultural, educational and recreational institutions; and

WHEREAS, It is also the sense of this Legislative Body that institutions that give positive definition to the profile and disposition of the communities of the State of New York profoundly strengthen our society with their commitment; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of The Hicksville Gregory Museum in Hicksville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Located at One Heitz Place in Hicksville, New York, The Hicksville Gregory Museum celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a special program hosted by Museum President Richard Althaus entitled, "50 Years of Service of The Gregory Museum"; and

WHEREAS, The Hicksville Gregory Museum was originally housed at the Cottage Boulevard home of its namesake, Dr. Gardiner Gregory and his wife, Anne; its present location was once a vital village hall and courthouse built in the late 1800s; and

WHEREAS, The mission of The Hicksville Gregory Museum is to create an awareness of and an interest in earth science, natural history and local history through: the collection, preservation and exhibition of specimens and artifacts; publications; and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of its President, Richard Althaus, The Hicksville Gregory Museum is writing its own page in Hicksville, New York's history as a thriving and innovative educational and scientific

institution that is home to regular school tours and projects, and natural history collections, including those of fossils, minerals and butterflies; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 1, 2013, there will be a special anniversary celebration for The Hicksville Gregory Museum, to be held at the Milleridge Inn in Jericho, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to The Hicksville Gregory Museum in Hicksville, New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized 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 50th Anniversary of The Hicksville Gregory Museum; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard Althaus, President, The Hicksville Gregory Museum.