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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 125th Anniversary of Keuka College to be feted with a year-long celebration

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishments clearly demonstrate an enduring pursuit of excellence in higher education for the youth of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of Keuka College, in Keuka Park, New York, to be celebrated with a myriad of events and celebrations planned throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, On January 25, 2015, Keuka College will host an innovative online initiative to celebrate the College's 125th Anniversary; a Day of Giving will allow alumni, students, parents, and friends to come together and support the school; and

WHEREAS, Keuka College was founded in 1890 by Founder/First President Reverend Dr. George Harvey Hall; he envisioned a college that would provide a high-level education to all deserving students, regardless of economic background; and

WHEREAS, Keuka College is an independent, liberal arts-based, four-year, residential, coeducational college which emphasizes experiential learning, as well as, career and pre-professional education; the college is committed to providing its students with academic excellence, and broad educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Keuka College offers 31 bachelor's degree programs on its home campus, many with specialized concentrations, there are also 27 minor degrees and self-designed major degrees; in addition, the college offers seven master's degree programs and pre-professional programs in

dentistry, law, medicine, veterinary medicine, optometry, pharmacy, and physical therapy; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism has always been a priority of the Keuka College community; in 2014, students rushed to the aid of their neighbors during a devastating flood; they invested more than 1,000 selfless hours over three days to assist the residents of Penn Yan; and

WHEREAS, Today, under the visionary guidance of President Jorge L. Diaz-Herrera, Ph.D., Keuka College stands proud and prominent, always looking to the future and the needs of those it serves; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of Keuka College, noting the propriety of its goals, the constancy of its commitment and the significance of its accomplishments in preparing the youth of today and leaders of tomorrow; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to President Jorge L. Diaz-Herrera, Ph.D., Keuka College.