PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Colgate University is celebrating its bicentennial, a significant milestone, and

WHEREAS, two hundred years ago 13 Hamiltonians developed a plan for an institution of higher learning and donated the land on the hill for its location, and

WHEREAS, Colgate owes its existence to the vision and determination of these men, and

WHEREAS, since that time there have been countless examples of collaborative efforts between the Village and Colgate, and

WHEREAS, we are grateful for the many ways that the university enriches the lives of our residents and enhances the economic vitality of the community, and

WHEREAS, we are proud that an institution of such stature, a distinctive leader among American liberal arts universities, and identified as one of the most beautiful campuses in the country, is in our Village, and

WHEREAS, we are impressed that Colgate is dedicated to preparing the leaders of tomorrow, and

WHEREAS, we welcome Brian W Casey, Colgate's 17th president, and distinguished faculty and staff along with a diverse student body representing 48 states and dozens of countries as Village residents, and

WHEREAS, we are pleased that many of the 34,000+ alumni, who are leaders in their respective fields, along with parents and prospective students annually visit the campus and our community, and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of President Brian Casey, the Village of Hamilton and Colgate University are poised to continue to work successfully together for the benefit of both, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RuthAnn Speer Loveless, as Mayor of the Village of Hamilton, recognize and congratulate Colgate University for its 200 years of educational excellence and exemplary partnership and service to the Village.

March 5, 2019

[Signature]

Mayor, Village of Hamilton