

WHEREAS:

THERE ARE FEW AMERICAN PHILANTHROPISTS MORE WELL-KNOWN THAN ANDREW CARNEGIE. AFTER MAKING HIS FORTUNE IN THE STEEL INDUSTRY IN THE LATE 1800S, HE MADE COUNTLESS LARGE-SCALE DONATIONS TO SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND ARTS INSTITUTIONS, IN ADDITION TO FOUNDING BOTH CARNEGIE HALL AND THE CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK. TODAY, WE'RE PLEASED TO CELEBRATE A CENTURY OF OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPY AS THE CARNEGIE CORPORATION MARKS ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY.

WHEREAS:

ESTABLISHED IN 1911 TO SERVE AS THE PINNACLE INSTITUTION OF ANDREW CARNEGIE'S CHARITABLE EFFORTS, ITS MISSION, AS DESCRIBED BY CARNEGIE, WAS, "TO PROMOTE THE ADVANCEMENT AND DIFFUSION OF KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING." OVER THE PAST 100 YEARS, IT HAS BECOME ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST INFLUENTIAL FOUNDATIONS IN AMERICA, WITH PROGRAMS, INITIATIVES, AND GRANTS GEARED TOWARDS THE EXPANSION OF HIGHER AND ADULT EDUCATION, THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, AND, A CAUSE THAT WAS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO CARNEGIE, THE REALIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE. CARNEGIE ALSO HAD THE FORESIGHT TO KNOW THAT THE GREATEST ISSUES OF HIS TIME WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE THOSE OF THE FUTURE; WITH THAT IN MIND, HE PLACED A GREAT AMOUNT OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THE HANDS OF HIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, GIVING THEM THE POWER TO SHAPE THE CORPORATION'S WORK OF THE FUTURE.

WHEREAS:

IN THE LAST CENTURY, THE CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK HAS INVESTED BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN INSTITUTIONS, HIGHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES, SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, AND GRANTS TO ENHANCE THE LIVES OF AMERICANS AND TO ADVANCE IDEAS THAT WILL HELP TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS FOR THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY. IT HAS REMAINED TRUE TO THE IDEALS SET FORTH BY ANDREW CARNEGIE AND IT IS ACCOMPLISHING, "REAL AND PERMANENT GOOD IN THE WORLD"—JUST AS HE HAD HOPED. AS WE REFLECT ON THE CENTENNIAL OF THE CARNEGIE CORPORATION, WE ALSO TAKE THIS TIME TO RECOGNIZE THE MONUMENTAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF THIS ORGANIZATION AND THE DEDICATED MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE HELPED MAKE ANDREW CARNEGIE'S DREAMS A REALITY. ON BEHALF OF ALL NEW YORKERS, PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES FOR A WONDERFUL CELEBRATION AND ANOTHER CENTURY OF SUCCESS.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERG, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, IN RECOGNITION OF THE TREMENDOUS WORK ACHIEVED BY THIS ORGANIZATION IN THE LAST 100 YEARS DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH, 2011 IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK AS:

"CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK CENTENNIAL DAY"

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MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERS
MAYOR