

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION
- OFFICE OF MAYOR -
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, the Schenectady Public System was established on April 18, 1854 with an approximate enrollment of 1,100 students to be accommodated at one school located at the corner of Union and College Streets, which school was the former West College Building of Union College; and

WHEREAS, the public school system of the City of Schenectady has continuously progressed each year from the date of establishment to its present system consisting of 11 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 1 high school, 1 technical center and 1 continuing education center accommodating approximately 9,000 students; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady City School District is noted for a series of Firsts pioneering programs such as the Technical Engineering Program offered at Mont Pleasant High School in the 1930's, the International Baccalaureate Program offered at Schenectady High School in 1999, the Fine Arts Program offered at Schenectady High in 2001, and the first Career and Technical Center in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady City-School District is noted for leadership in the field of technology with a nationally recognized interactive video-conferencing program, as well as programs including CISCO, E-Commerce, Microsoft and Oracle; and

WHEREAS, the General Electric College Bound Program at Schenectady High School became the model for the smaller learning community evolving at Schenectady High; and

WHEREAS, the first Teacher's Training and Model School was opened on Brandywine Avenue in 1910 and has grown into the current Teacher Center for Professional Development setting the stage for professional development in the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT P. JURCZYNSKI, Mayor of the City of Schenectady, do hereby commend the Schenectady City School District for their significant growth and academic achievements accomplished throughout 150 years of public education and proclaim the 2003-2004 school year as

150 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION
FOR THE
SCHENECTADY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

in the City of Schenectady.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I Have Hereunto
Set My Hand And Cause The Seal Of The
City Of Schenectady To Be Affixed This 3
September 2003.

Albert P. Jurczynski