ASSOCIATION *of* SCHOOLS *and* COLLEGES *of* OPTOMETRY

Resolution

CONGRATULATING THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY ON THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Whereas, recognizing the critical role of advanced clinical education in the profession, in 1974 – 1975 the State University of New York (SUNY) College of Optometry established its Vision Therapy residency program, the first full-year optometric residency program offered in the United States; and

Whereas, in 2025, the SUNY College of Optometry celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of its Optometry Residency Programs and the graduation of its first four residents; and

Whereas, two colleagues have served with great dedication and distinction as the Director of Residency Education at the SUNY College of Optometry: the late Dr. Irwin Suchoff from 1974 to 1999 and Dr. Diane Adamczyk from 1999 to present; and

Whereas, the more than 1,100 alumni of the SUNY College of Optometry residency programs have significantly impacted the profession of optometry; and

Whereas, the SUNY College of Optometry continues to serve as a leader in optometric residency education with 19 current on-campus and off-campus programs with 45 positions available annually in a broad range of emphasis areas and practice locations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) congratulates the SUNY College of Optometry, its administration, and its faculty members on the 50th anniversary of its residency programs; and, be it further

Resolved, that ASCO and the profession look forward to the SUNY College of Optometry's continued leadership and excellence in residency education.