

DEKALB COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
Sycamore, IL

**PROCLAMATION #P2013-01**

WHEREAS, the Northern Illinois University Huskie Football Team has enjoyed much success during the Fall, 2012 season, and

WHEREAS, that success includes a regular season record of eleven (11) wins and just one (1) loss, and

WHEREAS, the team earned the privilege of playing for the Mid-American Conference (MAC) Championship game as the West Division representative against the Kent State Golden Flashes of Kent, Ohio, the East Division representative, and

WHEREAS the Huskies won that conference championship game at Ford Field in Detroit, MI on November 30, 2012 by a score of 44 to 37 in double overtime, and

WHEREAS, in further recognition of the Huskies strong team, the Huskies were ranked #15 in the nation at season's end, and

WHEREAS, even more recognition was bestowed to the NIU Huskies as they were invited to the annual Orange Bowl Game, a NCAA Bowl Championship Series (BCS) game, on January 1, 2013 in Miami, FL to play against the Florida State Seminoles of Tallahassee, FL, even though a 31-10 loss was endured, and

WHEREAS, the entire team of players and coaches have represented not only Northern Illinois University, but also the entire DeKalb County Community, as ambassadors to the entire nation with honor and dignity through their athletic performances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the DeKalb County Board that the entire football team of players and coaches for the Northern Illinois University Huskies is recognized and honored for their accomplishments during the regular football season, for their victory in the MAC Conference Championship Game, and for their appearance in the Orange Bowl on January 1, 2013 and that this proclamation will be forever memorialized in the archives of DeKalb County Government as maintained by the DeKalb County Clerk.

Proclaimed at Sycamore, Illinois, this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2013, A.D., Myself as Witness.



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Jeffery L. Metzger, Chairman