

## **2023-J1311**

Senate Resolution No. 1311

BY: Senator WALCZYK

COMMENDING the Dolgeville Community Band upon the occasion of hosting its 2023 Summer Concert Series

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those musical organizations that have brought entertainment and cultural enrichment to the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Dolgeville Community Band upon the occasion of hosting its 2023 Summer Concert Series to be held on Thursdays in Plowe Park in Dolgeville, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Dolgeville Community Band has a long history in the community of Dolgeville, first performing as the Citizens Cornet Band around 1886; the band performed in the band stand that was on the corner of Van Buren and South Main Street and was later moved to Plowe Park where the current band stand is today; and

WHEREAS, Today, the park where the Dolgeville Community Band plays is named after Harold Plowe, long time band director who died in 1982; and

WHEREAS, The Dolgeville Community Band has persisted through time as a strong musical entity with many great directors, past band directors

included Ralph Faville, Max Cramer, William Hayward, Arthur Elwood and Sam Camardello; the current band director is Katlin Wolford, who is the Dolgeville Central School Band Director; and

WHEREAS, Promoting the joys of music, the Dolgeville Community Band is an important part of the community and introduces people to different genres of music; and

WHEREAS, Bringing the community together once a week during the summer, the Dolgeville Community Band members consist of students and adults from around the Mohawk Valley who share a love of music; and

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that we take time to celebrate the music of our Nation, to honor our artists and musicians, and to express our appreciation to everyone who patronizes the arts; and as we celebrate the music, we celebrate and give thanks to our American freedom, the only atmosphere in which artists can truly create and in which music is truly the expression of the soul; and

WHEREAS, The arts, in whatever form presented, are central to human expression; they are truly a universal language and their contribution to the development of friendship and understanding among all peoples cannot be underestimated; individuals who provide a means of preserving a part of our rich American past and which contribute to the community in such noble endeavors as aforementioned, are held in the highest regard by this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Dolgeville Community Band upon the occasion of hosting its 2023 Summer Concert Series; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to the Dolgeville Community Band.