

## 2009-J419

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Music Program of the Clarkstown South Senior High School Orchestra "Ars Musica" upon the occasion of its participation in Music in Our Schools Month

WHEREAS, The administrators of the Clarkstown Central School District are committed to actively promoting and nurturing a comprehensive music program for all the students of the district; and

WHEREAS, Those same administrators have been supportive, actively encouraging music program staff to devote their time and energy to developing the talents of their students; and

WHEREAS, The Ars Musica of the Clarkstown South Senior High School, West Nyack, New York, comprised of students of the highest musical and academic caliber, will be performing on March 2, 2009, at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, in celebration of Music in Our Schools Month; and

WHEREAS, The New York State School Music Association sponsors this event and has helped it to evolve from a New York State Day into a month-long national observance; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Orchestra Teacher, Lydia Leizman, the talent, dedication, and countless hours of practice have made the Ars Musica of the Clarkstown South Senior High School the outstanding ensemble it is today; and

WHEREAS, The Ars Musica Orchestra members who will proudly perform in Albany include: Nick Benoit, Emily Bressner, Lorenz Choi, Hannah Christian, Elise Dietrich, Angelica Ebron, Kristen Fasolino, Cassie Guevara, Eugene Ghong, Carisse Hamlet, Christian Luce, Christina Murray, Srikanth Megati, Aaron Palmquist, Tara Sheik, Ashley Santa Teresa, and Andrei Shubin; and

WHEREAS, The members work hard at their music rehearsals, classroom assignments and practice sessions, fully aware that the amount of time and energy they are willing to expend directly affects the quality of their music; and

WHEREAS, The Ars Musica Orchestra members, along with their parents and teachers, can be justifiably proud of their musical achievements and their participation in Music in Our Schools Month; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body extend a warm welcome to the staff and students of Clarkstown South Senior High School as they visit Albany for their performance at the Empire State Plaza; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Clarkstown South Senior High School Ars Musica, and Orchestra Teacher, Lydia Leizman.