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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Christine Riederer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Niagara County Music Educators Association Award for Excellence in Music Education

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend those music instructors within our schools who distinguish themselves through their ability to inspire their students to achieve excellence in musical performance; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Christine Riederer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Niagara County Music Educators Association Award for Excellence in Music Education; and

WHEREAS, A native of Detroit, Michigan, Christine Riederer has felt a strong connection to music from a young age; as a young woman, she spent six summers studying at Interlochen Arts Camp in Michigan and one summer at Boston's Tanglewood Institute; and

WHEREAS, Christine Riederer received a dual Bachelor's degree in Trumpet Performance and Music Education from the University of Michigan, followed by a Master of Music Education degree from Bowling Green State University; and

WHEREAS, Following the completion of her studies, Christine Riederer taught band and orchestra in Ohio and Michigan, along with trumpet at the Interlochen Arts Camp; and

WHEREAS, For the past 21 years, this esteemed music educator has taught at Niagara-Wheatfield High School where she conducts the concert and symphonic bands, and teaches music theory and instrumental lessons; and

WHEREAS, Christine Riederer's bands have consistently received top honors at music competitions and festivals; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding performer, Christine Riederer has played with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Erie County Wind Ensemble, and the Buffalo Silver Cornet Band, as well as the Clarence, Amherst, and Cheektowaga Symphonies; she has also played various shows at Shea's, Artpark and the Riviera Theatre; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Christine Riederer has guest conducted the ECMEA-JH South All-County Band, and has served as chairperson for the SH Area All-State Band and SH-All County Bands over the years; and

WHEREAS, Music study is most worthy of being encouraged and promoted, as it provides an opportunity for students to exhibit their skills to an audience, thereby giving them self-esteem to last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when music educators of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Christine Riederer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Niagara County Music Educators Association Award for Excellence in Music Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christine Riederer.