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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Sean Butler upon the occasion of his selection as a member of the 2015 National Association for Music Education All-National Honor Choir

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the dedication and commitment of our young people who distinguish themselves through excellence in musical competition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Sean Butler upon the occasion of his selection as a member of the 2015 National Association for Music Education All-National Honor Choir; and

WHEREAS, Before 670 of the Nation's most elite high school musicians applied to perform as part of the National Association for Music Education's (NAFME) All-National Honor Ensembles, they were first named the "best of the best" out of approximately 2.5 million students Nationwide at local, district and state music festivals; and

WHEREAS, On October 28, 2015, during the 2015 NAFME National In-Service Conference, these exceptional young musicians gathered in Nashville, Tennessee, to showcase their expert musicianship and perform a gala concert celebrating music education and the arts; the performance took place in the Presidential Ballroom at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Resort; and

WHEREAS, The All-National Honor Ensembles Concert is one of the many highlights planned for the four-day conference which took place on October 25-28, 2015, where the main theme centers around ways in which "Music Education Orchestrates Success" in school, in work, and in life; and

WHEREAS, The All-National Honor Ensembles consist of a concert band, orchestra, mixed chorus, and jazz ensemble, and students were chosen by auditions; one of the exceptional students from the great state of New York, Sean Butler, sang the Bass 2 part in the mixed chorus; and

WHEREAS, Music competition provides an opportunity for students to exhibit their practical skills to an audience, thereby giving them a sense of pride in their hard work and efforts; and

WHEREAS, Sean Butler exemplifies the best of the potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; he has brought enduring honor to his family and community through his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Sean Butler upon the occasion of his selection as a member of the 2015 National Association for Music Education All-National Honor Choir; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sean Butler.