

**BY:** M. of A. Thiele

**CONGRATULATING** eight William Floyd Student-Musicians upon the occasion of being selected to represent their school and district in the 2022 New York State Band Directors Association All-State Honor Band Festival

**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 events; and

**WHEREAS,** Music festivals provide 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,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate eight William Floyd Student-Musicians upon the occasion of being selected to represent their school and district in the 2022 New York State Band Directors Association (NYSBDA) All-State Honor Band Festival which was held March 5-6, 2022, in Syracuse, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** These talented students were selected based on their outstanding New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) solo scores and upon director recommendation; additionally, four William Floyd High School students were selected as alternates; and

**WHEREAS,** The NYSBDA Honor Band selections included: William Paca Middle School-Joseph Cordaro, Director; Kolton Chamberlain, tuba, 8th grade; and Jackson Seifert, trombone, 8th grade; William Floyd Middle School-Dawn Conefry, Director; Jack Meyer, trumpet, 8th grade; Becky Neikens, flute, 7th grade; and Colin Smith, trumpet, 8th grade; William Floyd High School-Garry Helbock, Director; Kurtis Chamberlain, percussion, 12th grade; Justin Cooke, euphonium, 12th grade; and Ian Hua, flute, 12th grade; and

**WHEREAS,** The NYSBDA Honor Band alternates consisted of: William Floyd High School-Garry Helbock and Kim Hyland, Directors; Kassidy Chamberlain, piccolo and flute, 10th grade; Joshua Crespo, baritone saxophone, 9th grade; Thomas Francis, baritone saxophone, 12th grade; and Christina Girardi, bassoon, 12th grade; and

**WHEREAS,** Each of these young musicians are deserving of his or her own recognition and spotlight, for their remarkable commitment and hours of practice in perfecting their musical abilities; 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; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate eight William Floyd Student-Musicians upon the occasion of being selected to represent their school and district in the 2022 New York State Band Directors Association (NYSBDA) All-State Honor Band Festival; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the eight aforementioned William Floyd Student-Musicians and four alternatives.