

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING the New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble upon the occasion of winning the New York State Percussion Circuit Championship on April 7, 2024

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, Musical 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble upon the occasion of winning the New York State Percussion Circuit Championship at Gates Chili High School in Rochester, New York, on Sunday, April 7, 2024; and

WHEREAS, The New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble (NHIPE), of New Hartford Central School, attained the gold medal, scoring 89.825 at the state championship; performing its award-winning show, "Out of the Dust," the group competed in the Percussion Scholastic A class which included 14 other groups from New York State; and

WHEREAS, All the members of the New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble were mindful of representing themselves, their school, and their community by performing with the highest standard of excellence; the group is scheduled to compete at the Winter Guard International Percussion World Championship in Dayton, Ohio, from April 18-20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, It should be further noted that excellence in field band is possible only through vigorous practice and discipline, habits that will guide these young musicians to a lifetime of success in musical careers or other vocations; and

WHEREAS, The New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble's achievements stand as a proud testament to the hard work of its members and the dedication of its parents, teachers, administration, and community, illustrating the spirit of excellence and achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the members of the New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble who positively represent their school, serve as role models to their classmates, exemplify the goal of continued excellence, and bring great pride to their community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the New Hartford Indoor Percussion Ensemble.