LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss upon the occasion of performing with the All-State Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles on March 9, 2009, during Music In Our Schools Month

WHEREAS, The New York State School Music Association has worked tirelessly for more than three decades to promote music in our schools with its annual Music In Our Schools Month at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Music In Our Schools Month provides an opportunity for the young people of New York State to greatly broaden their musical experience, to welcome the challenges and embrace the joys of performing, and to secure the lifelong inspiration of music; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss upon the occasion of performing with the All-State Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles on March 9, 2009, during Music In Our Schools Month; and

WHEREAS, The All-State Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles, comprised of students of the highest musical and academic caliber, will be performing in Meeting Room 6 at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, to kick off Music In Our Schools Month; and

WHEREAS, The officers and committee members of the New York State School Music Association have always shown the utmost dedication in helping to showcase the outstanding musical skill and talent of so many of the State's finest young musicians; and

WHEREAS, All of the young musicians involved in this month-long celebration are deserving of their own recognition and spotlight, for their remarkable commitment and hours of practice in perfecting their musical abilities; and

WHEREAS, Talent, dedication, and countless hours of practice have made Max Paymar of South Side High School, Rockville Centre, New York, and Melisa Baena of Valley Stream Central High School, Valley Stream, New York, the outstanding Jazz musicians they are today, and Michael Weiss of School 7 Oceanside High School, Oceanside, New York, the outstanding Jazz vocalist that he is today; and

WHEREAS, Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss 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, Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss, along with their parents and teachers, can be justifiably proud of their musical achievements and their performances with the All-State Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles during Music In Our Schools Month; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss upon the occasion of performing with the All-State Instrumental and Vocal Jazz Ensembles on March 9, 2009, during Music In Our Schools Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Max Paymar, Melisa Baena, and Michael Weiss.