

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Michael C. Patrizio upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as a teacher with the North Colonie Central School District

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, The result of many individual efforts, the excellence and the success of the North Colonie Central School District is due in large part to the efforts of its retiring teacher, Michael C. Patrizio; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Michael C. Patrizio upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as a teacher with the North Colonie Central School District; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at a reception to be held in his honor on Friday, May 29, 2009, at the Century House in Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Patrizio began his teaching career with the North Colonie Central School District in September 1973 at Shaker High School; and

WHEREAS, From September 1974 to June 1993, Michael C. Patrizio taught music at the Blue Creek, Goodrich, Latham Ridge, Boght Hills, Southgate and Loudonville elementary schools; from 1993 to the present his teaching assignment has once again been at Shaker High School; and

WHEREAS, During his distinguished career as an educator with the North Colonie Central School District, Michael C. Patrizio directed the Jazz Band, was instrumental in creating and directing the Shaker High School Marching Band, and assisted with the pit orchestra for school musicals; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Michael C. Patrizio directed the Siena Pep Band, and was the owner and operator of the "First Note Music" store; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Patrizio was married to the late Kathie Kirk Patrizio; together they were the proud parents of two daughters, Melissa and Katie; now remarried to Alana Patrizio, Michael is the loving grandfather of Thomas Jr., Kate, and Olivia; and

WHEREAS, Michael C. Patrizio has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered in the North Colonie Central School District for the benefit of its students, as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, In completing many years of service as an educator, Michael C. Patrizio leaves behind more than mere bricks and mortar; he leaves behind a legacy to the North Colonie Central School District and to the residents of the North Colonie community and to future generations of its students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend and honor Michael C. Patrizio upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as a teacher with the North Colonie Central School District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael C. Patrizio.