

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association upon the occasion of its 59th Annual All-County Music Festival, to be held on March 2, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that music contributes significantly to the cultural enrichment and quality of life in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Events that foster community spirit and cooperation merit the recognition of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Music has evolved to be an important part of the education of the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, The young people of Sullivan County, State of New York, have demonstrated exceptional talent in musical pursuits; and

WHEREAS, The Sullivan County music educators have come together to form the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association in an effort to improve and expand the many talents of the young people of Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, The Sullivan County Music Educators' Association has banded together the Central school districts of Eldred, Fallsburg, Liberty, Livingston Manor, Monticello, Roscoe, Sullivan West and Tri-Valley; and

WHEREAS, The students from these schools have come together and diligently practice in the areas of Elementary Chorus, Middle School Band, String Orchestra, Junior High Band, High School Jazz Ensemble, Senior High Women's Chorus, and Senior High Mixed Chorus; and

WHEREAS, The culmination of their efforts will be held at the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association's 59th Annual All-County Music Festival on March 2, 2013, in the David B. Panebaker Auditorium at the Liberty High School; and

WHEREAS, This festival is illustrative of the commitment of the administrators of all eight Sullivan County School Districts to providing a full and comprehensive music program in their districts; and

WHEREAS, Gary E. Siegel, Festival Chairperson; Michael Mingo, President of the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association; the music educators of all eight Sullivan County schools; and all those who will perform on March 2, 2013, and their parents are to be commended for their efforts in planning, preparing for and presenting a musical program which will bring pleasure to all those in attendance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association upon the occasion of its 59th Annual All-County Music Festival, to be held on March 2, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lawrence Thomas, Sullivan County BOCES Superintendent of Schools; Daniel Parkhurst, President of the Liberty Central School District Board of Education; Dr. William Silver, Liberty Central School District Superintendent of Schools; Jack Strassman, Liberty Middle/High School Principal; Gary Siegel, Sullivan County Music Educators' Association All-County Music Festival Chairperson and NYSSMA/SCMEA GRC/Advocacy Committee Representative; and Michael Mingo, President of the Sullivan County Music Educators' Association.