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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Albany Symphony Orchestra on the occasion of its designation as recipient of a Grammy Award by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those illustrious organizations which seek to preserve and celebrate the musical heritage of our State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in keeping with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Albany Symphony Orchestra on the occasion of its designation as recipient of a Grammy Award by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, The Grammy Awards are presented by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences of the United States to recognize outstanding achievement in the music industry; and

WHEREAS, The Albany Symphony Orchestra is one of the Capital Region's most revered music and cultural institutions; it is known for its brilliant live performances, adventurous programming, innovative educational initiatives and engaging cultural events; and

WHEREAS, The Albany Symphony Orchestra's members believe the best music of our time deserves its place in the center of their repertoire; their unique mission is to focus on works by great living American composers that are often overlooked; its musicians believe in giving voice to beautiful music that would otherwise never be heard by a broad audience; and

WHEREAS, The Albany Symphony Orchestra was awarded best classical instrumental solo for its recording of composer John Corigliano's "Conjurer-Concerto For Percussionist & String Orchestra," on Sunday,

January 25, 2014, at the 56th Annual Grammy Awards Ceremony; and  
WHEREAS, "Conjurer," a 36-minute percussion concerto was recorded at  
the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and conducted by David Alan Miller with  
the talented Dame Evelyn Glemie performing as soloist; the recording is  
being released on the Naxos music label; and  
WHEREAS, Conductor David Allan Miller has done a superb job in guid-  
ing, molding, and inspiring his orchestra of talented musicians to  
achieve national recognition and acclaim; and  
WHEREAS, This momentous event marks the first Grammy Award won by the  
Albany Symphony Orchestra in its 84 year history; it is a validation of  
all the dedication and efforts of its members and will no doubt be an  
inspiration to even greater heights of glory in the future; and  
WHEREAS, Organizations which provide a means of displaying the rich  
tapestry of American music and which contribute to the community in such  
noble endeavors as aforementioned, are held in the highest regard by  
this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it  
RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to  
honor the Albany Symphony Orchestra on the occasion of its designation  
as recipient of a Grammy Award by the National Academy of Recording Arts  
and Sciences; and be it further  
RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-  
smitted to the Albany Symphony Orchestra, and Conductor David Allan  
Miller.