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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Laurel Hendershott upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 ACWC Balus Foundation Young Artist Scholarship

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Laurel Hendershott upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 ACWC Balus Foundation Young Artist Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, The ACWC Balus Foundation Youth Artist Scholarship, established in 2004 by the Mark and Kathy Balus Foundation, is awarded each year to one high school student who wishes to further his or her studies in music/performance arts; and

WHEREAS, In addition, recipients of this esteemed scholarship are required to perform at the ACWC's Community Arts Grants Awards and Annual Gala, as well as its Annual Open House; and

WHEREAS, Laurel Hendershott, an accomplished pianist, is a senior at the Warsaw Central School where she engages in multiple school, community and academic pursuits, including her role as a flautist of both jazz and classical music; and

WHEREAS, With a true passion for music, Laurel Hendershott has been playing the flute since fourth grade; through her dedication and hard work, she has become a student at the renowned Eastman School of Music; and

WHEREAS, Laurel Hendershott has amassed a significant musical resume over the years including placement in and performances with Area-All-State (NYSSMA) and All-County Bands, performances at several ACWC Twin

Pianos concerts and the Letchworth Arts and Crafts Show; she also participates in Warsaw High School Band and Jazz Band; and WHEREAS, Laurel Hendershott stands poised on the threshold of a broad and challenging world; a testament to the love and nurturing care of her family, friends and school; and WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this musical scholar now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, coaches and parents; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Laurel Hendershott upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 ACWC Balus Foundation Young Artist Scholarship; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Laurel Hendershott.