



**A DAY IN HONOR OF *STAND: A SYMPHONY FOR JAZZ*
ORCHESTRA BY ANITA BROWN**

September 10, 2011

WHEREAS, as the representative body of the entire County of Rockland, it is fitting that this Legislature pause in its deliberations to recognize those entities and individuals who enrich the lives of the residents of our community; and

WHEREAS, composer, arranger and conductor Anita Brown, will debut her inspirational piece "*Stand: A Symphony for Jazz Orchestra*", today in Nyack, New York, in conjunction with the United States Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon from Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, this award winning jazz composer created "*Stand*" to commemorate and depict the American experience surrounding our national tragedy on 9/11; and

WHEREAS, this symphony is constructed in five movements: *The Homeland*, acknowledging America's own music in the classic tradition of swing jazz; *Tuesday Morning* opening with a lovely morning and moving through the events of that tragic day; *Benumbed*, an expression of grief and confusion; *Valor*, providing both silent reflection and a renewal of strength, as The Silent Drill Platoon take its cue from a solo trumpet. In the final movement, *Stand*; the audience is invited to join the vocalists in song in an anthem-like melody; and

WHEREAS, this original symphony will serve as a lasting tribute and testament to the memory of those who were lost, those who gave their lives in valiant attempts to save others and those families and friends who struggle to remain strong; and

WHEREAS, Anita Brown, a Rockland resident and faculty member at Sarah Lawrence College teaching Jazz Composition and Arranging, has used her talent and love of jazz music to express the world's emotional response to the tragic events of 9-11 by composing this symphony; and

WHEREAS, the County of Rockland wishes to express its appreciation to Anita Brown, the musicians in the Orchestra, the vocalists and the U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon;

NOW, therefore, I, HARRIET D. CORNELL, Chairwoman of the Rockland County Legislature, on behalf of the entire Legislature do hereby publicly and formally proclaim September 10, 2011 *A Day in Honor of Stand: A Symphony for Jazz Orchestra* by Anita Brown.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the seal of the County of Rockland to be affixed this 10th of September 2011.

Harriet D. Cornell

HON. HARRIET D. CORNELL
Chairwoman of the Legislature

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