



Stan Colella Day

WHEREAS, Big Band Leader Stan Colella acquired a love for the art of music at a very young age. His undying love for this art started in 1939 when he heard the Clyde McCoy Band Playing on the radio. Not having an instrument to play, this 7-year-old child began to imitate McCoy's trumpet by creating the horn sounds through his hands; and

WHEREAS, When Stan Colella was 12 years old he began performing with the older musicians in town, holding down the second trumpet chair in Bob Romeo's big band. He went from being the kid in the band, to the gentleman leading the kids when he began teaching music in the Westhill School District; and

WHEREAS, Realizing his responsibility to nurture the music and musicianship of Central New York, Stan Colella started his own big band providing countless opportunities for young musicians to showcase their talents. It was a mission of Stan Colella to bring Big Band Music to the ears of small children; and

WHEREAS, Stan Colella provided those in the City of Syracuse and the County of Onondaga with hours of entertainment through *Pops in the Park* and *Dancing Under the Stars*, and will always be remembered by the newly re-named *Stan Colella All-Star Band*.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nicholas J. Pirro, County Executive of the County of Onondaga and **I, Matthew J. Driscoll,** Mayor of the City of Syracuse, on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim this Twelfth day of July, Two thousand and two as

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In the County of Onondaga and the City of Syracuse.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the City of Syracuse and the County of Onondaga to be imprinted this Twelfth day of July, in the year Two thousand and two.

Nicholas J. Pirro
County Executive

Matthew J. Driscoll
Mayor