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**March Marks the   
40th Anniversary of Music In Our Schools Month®!**

[Date – City, State]—For 40 years, March has been designated by the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) as Music In Our Schools Month® (MIOSM®). The positive impact of music education in the lives of students lasts a lifetime. Therefore, ensuring equitable access to music education for the youngest members of our society—students—is paramount.

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Description automatically generatedEvery day, in classrooms and rehearsal rooms across our school district, music educators dedicate themselves to reaching all students with life-changing musical experiences. Parents, administrators, and the wider community often only see the wonderful results of music performances; however, we miss the months of practice and rehearsals and more importantly the learning process that takes place to make it all happen.

I encourage members in our community to acknowledge and celebrate music education as an essential part of every student’s educational journey.

[Insert your stories/testimonials from your school and district]