About the Composition

Goodbye for solo trombone by Thomas Zugger was composed in early 1999. It is an image, conveyed through music, of the passionate and intense emotions of saying goodbye to someone dear. It is divided into four sections entitled: *Despair, Grief, Conflict and Anger,* and *Acceptance and Hope.* During performance the sections should be divided by a brief pause.

The composition is based on two motives, the descending half-step in the opening measure, and the augmented triad first heard later in the opening movement. It is hoped that each performer will personalize the music, drawing upon his/her own experiences to create an individual expression of ***Goodbye.***

About the Composer

Thomas Zugger (b.1964) has written a number of modern, yet accessible compositions which have been performed by public school, collegiate, and professional ensembles. They have been featured at high profile music festivals such as the International Trombone Association and International Clarinet Association annual conventions.

Mr. Zugger is Assistant Professor of Music the Capital University Conservatory of Music in Columbus, Ohio. He holds degrees from the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and has done post-graduate work at The Ohio State University. He has also taught at Adrian College in Adrian, Michigan, the Interlochen Arts Academy, and in the Walled Lake, Michigan public schools.

Duration: @ 7 minutes

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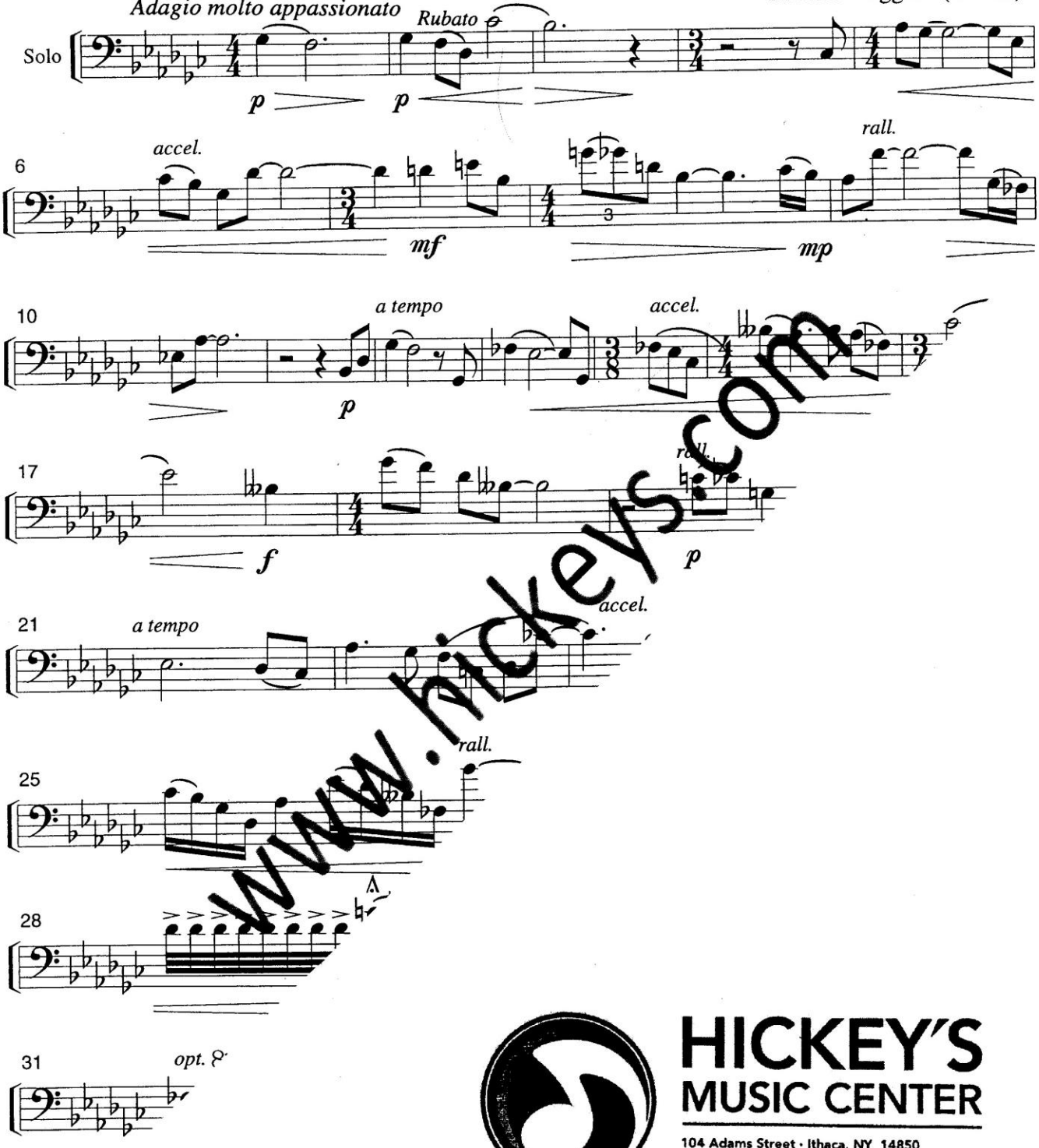
Goodbye

for Solo Trombone

Thomas Zugger (B.M.I.)

I. Despair (♩ = 72)

Adagio molto appassionato



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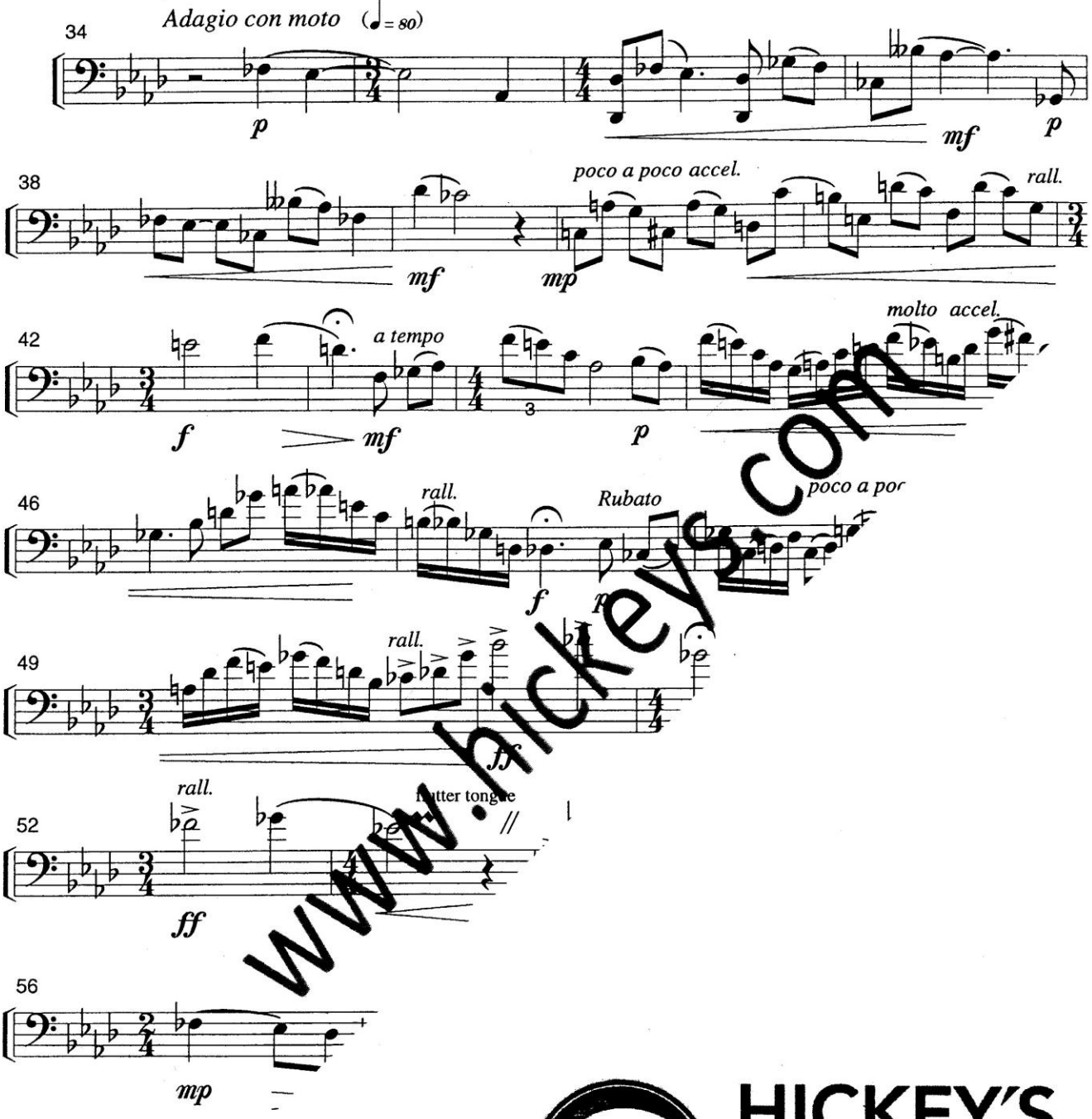
II. Grief



III. Conflict

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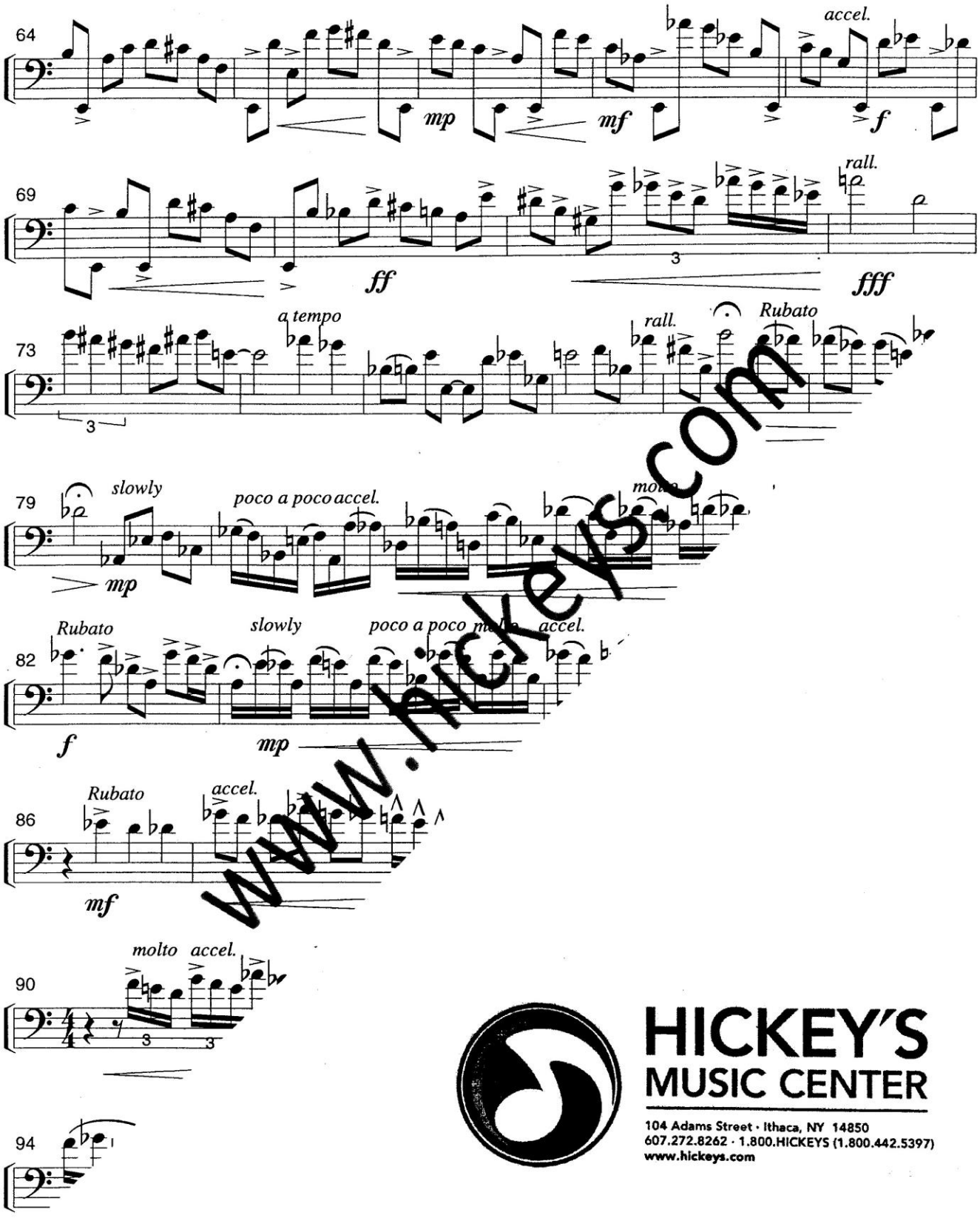

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