Mendelssohn’s Sinfonia VIII for strings was completed on November 27, 1822. In a departure from his previous sinfonias, Mendelssohn omitted violins from the second movement, scoring it instead for three viola parts plus bassi (cello and bass). The AVS edition of this Adagio movement is available in two versions: Mendelssohn’s original scoring (AVS 011) and a version for viola quartet, with a Viola 4 part replacing the bassi (AVS 011a). The Viola Quartet version has been transposed up a half step to C minor to better preserve the register relationship among all of the parts.

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