H.C.R. No. 225

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Texas Poet Laureate, State Musician, and State
Artist Committee has selected Ray Benson of Austin as Texas State
Musician for 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Benson is the founder, lead singer, and guitarist of the Grammy Award-winning band, Asleep at the Wheel; based in Austin, Mr. Benson and this talented group of musicians have consistently entertained audiences with their unique western swing sound for more than 30 years, garnering worldwide acclaim as well as a multitude of devoted fans; and

10 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional contributions to his chosen 11 field of artistic endeavor, Mr. Benson has earned deep appreciation 12 and esteem and further enriched the vibrant cultural life of the 13 Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby honor Ray Benson on the occasion of his selection as Texas State Musician for 2004; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for Mr. Benson as an expression of high regard by the Texas 19 House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 225 was adopted by the House on May 7, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 225 was adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Governor