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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Texas Poet Laureate, State Musician, and State
Artist Committee has selected David Hickman of Dallas as Texas
State Artist for 2004 in the three-dimensional category; and

WHEREAS, A native of Gainesville, this distinguished Texan attended Cooke County Junior College and The University of Texas at Arlington; he studied with sculptor Octavio Medellin and assisted on several large-scale commissions between 1975 and 1980; today Mr. Hickman is recognized as a sculptor of uncommon versatility and breadth, creating and fabricating original designs of his own work as well as designs for architects and designers in carved wood and stone, hammered metals, and slumped glass, and his superb skills as a restoration expert have been sought by the City of Dallas as well as numerous private clients over the years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hickman is an influential member of the North Texas arts community, having taught classes for 10 years at the Creative Arts Center of Dallas and having served on the board of directors at both the Texas Sculpture Association and the Dallas Visual Arts Center; additionally, he has presided on juries for local art shows held by the City of Dallas and the Dallas Business Committee for the Arts, and he has worked with local art education programs and with the White Rock Lake Artists' Studio Tour for many years; and

WHEREAS, With more than 50 exhibitions to his credit, this accomplished artist has received numerous awards during his career,

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- 1 including the Dallas Visual Arts Center Legend Award, the Dallas
- 2 Business Committee for the Arts Obelisk Award, and multiple
- 3 best-in-show honors; in 1998, his work was recognized with that
- 4 year's AIA Religious Art and Architecture Design Award, and two
- 5 years earlier he was honored by both the Texas Society of Architects
- 6 and the Society of Environmental Graphic Designers; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional contributions to Texas
- 8 sculpture and design, Mr. Hickman has earned the deep appreciation
- 9 and esteem of peers and clients alike and has truly enriched the
- 10 vibrant cultural life of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 12 hereby honor David Hickman on the occasion of his selection as Texas
- 13 State Artist for 2004 in the three-dimensional category; and, be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for Mr. Hickman as an expression of high regard by the
- 17 Texas Senate and House of Representatives.