1-1 By: Wong (Senate Sponsor - Gallegos) H.C.R. No. 254 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 16, 2003; 1-3 May 19, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on 1-4 Administration; May 23, 2003, reported favorably by the following 1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-7 WHEREAS, The Museum of American Music History-Texas 1-8 (MAMH-Texas) is a nonprofit Texas corporation working in 1-9 association with the Smithsonian Institution to establish a 1-10 national museum program that tells the history of America through 1-11 the music that mirrored it; and

1-12 WHEREAS, Combining Texas and American history, music 1-13 education, and the performing arts, a Texas museum of american 1-14 music history would be a regional tourist attraction of 1-15 international acclaim; and

1-15 international acclaim; and 1-16 WHEREAS, Studies of other music museums suggest that a Texas 1-17 museum would produce \$40 to \$50 million annually in tourism 1-18 revenues and an additional \$50 million each year for the music 1-19 heritage and culture preservation industry in the state; and

1-20 WHEREAS, With support from the City of Houston, members of 1-21 the MAMH Coordinating Committee have approached the Texas 1-22 Legislature, Harris County, and the Greater Houston Partnership 1-23 about a permanent home for the MAMH-Texas music museum system in 1-24 Houston; and

1-25 WHEREAS, It is in Texans' best interest that a single entity 1-26 representing a collaboration of music history institutions and 1-27 organizations and possessing historical preservation and artifact 1-28 collection expertise be recognized as the official Texas Museum of 1-29 American Music History; now, therefore, be it

1-30 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas 1-31 hereby respectfully recognize the Museum of American Music 1-32 History-Texas, whose goals are to coordinate the Texas music 1-33 heritage and culture preservation industry, acknowledge Texas 1-34 musicians, songwriters, and other Texans who have made significant 1-35 contributions to Texas music heritage, act as the state's music 1-36 collection clearinghouse and registry, and establish other Texas 1-37 music museums, halls of fame, archives, galleries, and exhibits 1-38 throughout Texas, as the official Texas Museum of American Music 1-39 History; and, be it further

1-40 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
1-41 prepared for members of the Museum of American Music History
1-42 Coordinating Committee as an expression of high regard by the Texas
1-43 House of Representatives and Senate.

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