

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Music Museum, located on E. 11th Street in
2 historic East Austin, is an ongoing project created and supported
3 by those who believe that the history and culture of Texas are
4 written in its music; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in Texas in 1984 as a 501(c)(3)
6 nonprofit charitable organization, the Texas Music Museum was
7 designated the following year as a Texas Independence Association
8 by the Texas Sesquicentennial Commission for its participation in
9 and contributions to the celebration of the 150th anniversary of
10 the Lone Star State; and

11 WHEREAS, Since its premier exhibit and series of music
12 programs to commemorate the sesquicentennial, the Texas Music
13 Museum has conducted extensive interviews; taken photographs;
14 collected recordings and personal memorabilia of many of the
15 state's great musicians; and presented exhibitions, performances,
16 and educational programs encompassing such diverse musical genres
17 as Soul, Blues, Jazz, Classical, Pop, Rock, Tejano, Native
18 American, Gospel, Czech, German, Western Swing, and
19 Cowboy/Country; and

20 WHEREAS, A member of the National Music Museum Alliance, the
21 Texas Association of Museums, and the Austin Museum Partnership,
22 the Texas Music Museum has made significant progress in its work by
23 coordinating its efforts with other museums across the state; and

24 WHEREAS, Among the members of the Texas Music Museum's board

1 of directors are musicians, writers, music educators, music
2 historians, and representatives of Texas universities whose
3 institutions have major Texas music collections; and

4 WHEREAS, The museum has received financial support for 15
5 years from the City of Austin, through the city's Cultural
6 Contracts Program, and recently completed a comprehensive
7 strategic plan produced by the Bay Group, a nationally recognized
8 cultural arts consulting corporation; and

9 WHEREAS, Poised to begin development of a major museum and
10 archive, plans have been made for permanent exhibits as well as
11 temporary displays that will change throughout the course of each
12 year; the museum will continue to present a variety of musical
13 performances in its state-of-the-art indoor and outdoor
14 facilities, which are also to be used for music festivals, and
15 additional future construction includes an auditorium for its
16 lecture series and classrooms for adult and children's educational
17 activities; and

18 WHEREAS, The research, preservation, promotion, and
19 presentation of the treasure that is our state's music legacy will
20 enrich the lives of all Texans in the years to come, and the
21 accomplishments of the Texas Music Museum in this regard make it
22 truly worthy of special legislative recognition; now, therefore, be
23 it

24 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
25 hereby designate the Texas Music Museum as the official music
26 museum of the State of Texas and commend all those associated with

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1 this exceptional institution.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 264 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 264 was adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor