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S.C.R. No. 17

1 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is pleased to
3 recognize the artists and arts patrons who are being honored at the
4 Texas Medal of Arts Awards on March 25, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, The awards honor Texans who have distinguished
6 themselves in a variety of artistic disciplines or who have
7 promoted the arts through their patronage; Governor and Mrs. Rick
8 Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, and Speaker of the House
9 of Representatives and Mrs. Tom Craddick are the honorary co-chairs
10 of the event, which is taking place at the historic Paramount
11 Theatre in Austin and includes special performances and tributes to
12 the honorees; and

13 WHEREAS, The following outstanding artists are receiving
14 medals for their contributions to the arts: John Graves, lifetime
15 achievement; Tommy Tune, dance; Charley Pride, music; Fess Parker,
16 film; Sandra Cisneros, literary arts; Glenna Goodacre, visual arts;
17 Enid Holm, theater; and Lydia Mendoza, folk arts; and

18 WHEREAS, Receiving medals for their exemplary support of the
19 arts are Dealey Herndon, architectural restoration; Marca Lee
20 Bircher, arts education; Nancy B. Hamon, individual arts patron;
21 ExxonMobil Corporation, corporate arts patron; and Houston
22 Endowment, Incorporated, foundation arts patron; and

23 WHEREAS, The arts are an important economic and cultural
24 component of a free and democratic society, and the artists and arts

1 patrons honored with the Texas Medal of Arts Awards have enriched
2 the lives of all Texans by their many contributions; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
5 hereby commend these outstanding individuals and institutions and
6 extend congratulations to them on receiving a Texas Medal of Arts
7 Award; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for them
9 as an expression of esteem from the Texas Legislature.