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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Texas is well known for its pioneering musical  
3 talent, and The Crickets are among those Texas legends who grew to  
4 symbolize this brilliant creative spirit; and

5 WHEREAS, Originally formed in Lubbock by Buddy Holly, J. I.  
6 Allison, and Joe B. Mauldin, the group went on to include Sonny  
7 Curtis, Niki Sullivan, Tommy Allsup, and Earl Sinks; and

8 WHEREAS, The Crickets were one of the first rock and roll  
9 bands to be self-contained, writing, playing, producing, and  
10 recording their own material; and

11 WHEREAS, Beginning in 1957, hits such as "That'll Be the  
12 Day," "Peggy Sue," "Oh Boy," "Not Fade Away," "Maybe Baby," "It's So  
13 Easy," "I Fought the Law," and "More Than I Can Say" established The  
14 Crickets as a leading rock and roll band that would become known the  
15 world over; and

16 WHEREAS, By solidifying the rock and roll instrumental format  
17 of bass, guitars, drums, and vocals, and writing their own  
18 material, The Crickets provided a blueprint and inspiration for the  
19 Beatles, the Rolling Stones, and virtually every major rock band  
20 that came after them; and

21 WHEREAS, Nearly 50 years later, The Crickets continue to  
22 record and perform, and their songs are considered rock and roll  
23 standards as evidenced by their release last year of "The Crickets  
24 and Their Buddies," an all-star collection of The Crickets playing

1 their songs with such talented musicians and friends as Rodney  
2 Crowell, Waylon Jennings, John Prine, Phil and Jason Everly, Eric  
3 Clapton, and Nanci Griffith; now, therefore, be it

4       RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
5 hereby pay tribute to The Crickets for their many contributions to  
6 Texas music and recognize March 16, 2005, as The Crickets Day in  
7 Texas in their honor; and, be it further

8       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for the members of The Crickets as an expression of high  
10 regard by the Texas Senate and House of Representatives.