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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
- 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
- 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

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- 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.