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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 Crowell, Waylon Jennings, John Prine, Phil and Jason Everly, Eric
2 Clapton, and Nanci Griffith; now, therefore, be it

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

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