

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Aaron Barker is a participant in the Texas
2 Songwriter Showcase taking place February 21, 2007, in Austin, and
3 this event provides an opportunity to reflect on his remarkable
4 success in the country music industry; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in San Antonio, Aaron Barker began his music
6 career in a variety band when he was 13 years old; he later tried his
7 hand at songwriting, and his first attempt, "Baby Blue," was
8 recorded by George Strait in 1988 and went to number one on the
9 Billboard charts; and

10 WHEREAS, Playing in small clubs and cafes, Mr. Barker worked
11 at refining his songwriting skills and wrote another hit for George
12 Strait; this time, his song "Love Without End, Amen" remained at the
13 top spot on the Billboard charts for five consecutive weeks, and
14 more success was on the way; he penned the hit songs "Easy Come,
15 Easy Go," "I'd Like To Have That One Back," "I Know She Still Loves
16 Me," and "I Can Still Make Cheyenne" for George Strait, "Watch This"
17 for Clay Walker, "Love Happens Like That" for Neal McCoy, "I'm
18 Leavin'" for Aaron Tippin, and "What About Now" for Lonestar; and

19 WHEREAS, Finding success beyond the music charts, Mr. Barker
20 produced a gift book about his smash hit "Love Without End, Amen,"
21 which explored the timeless theme of unconditional love between
22 parent and child; the book included an introduction by George
23 Strait and an accompanying CD of the song; Mr. Barker also wrote and
24 sang a number of Blue Bell Ice Cream commercial spots, revealing his

1 knack for creating advertising jingles; and

2 WHEREAS, Aaron Barker's songs are reflections of his own
3 experiences as well as those of people he has known, and the
4 compositions reflect his talent for conveying honesty and heartfelt
5 emotion; he has established himself as a songwriter of remarkable
6 depth and power, and it is a pleasure to feature him in this
7 performance of Texas songsmiths; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
9 hereby honor Aaron Barker for being part of the Texas Songwriter
10 Showcase and commend him for bringing further acclaim to the
11 illustrious musical reputation of the Lone Star State; and, be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Barker as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives and Senate.

McClendon

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 103 was adopted by the House on February 21, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 103 was adopted by the Senate on February 21, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor