

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The year 2008 marked the 25th anniversary of the
2 Museum of Western Art in Kerrville; and

3 WHEREAS, Originally known as the Cowboy Artists of America
4 Museum, the institution opened in April 1983 and is dedicated to the
5 appreciation, presentation, and promotion of the art and artists of
6 the American West; and

7 WHEREAS, Designed by the noted Southwestern architect O'Neil
8 Ford, the museum is housed in a distinctive timber and limestone
9 building; inside, the 14,000-square-foot gallery space
10 incorporates boveda domes of Mexican brick, mesquite wood, and
11 Saltillo tile floors; and

12 WHEREAS, The museum exhibits work by today's best-regarded
13 Western artists, as well as by celebrated past masters; depictions
14 of life in the American West, including cowboys, Native Americans,
15 ranchers, frontier men and women, and others, help visitors gain an
16 understanding of the region's rich history; and

17 WHEREAS, With the opening of the Masel S. Quinn Pavilion of
18 the Western Art Academy in 2004 and the Journey West Children's
19 Gallery in 2005, the museum expanded its art education program,
20 which has trained hundreds of promising artists in applied
21 techniques of Western art; in addition, the museum offers an
22 extensive 5,000-volume library of Western art and history that has
23 proven to be a valuable resource for students and scholars alike;
24 and

1 WHEREAS, The Museum of Western Art has established itself as
2 a cultural treasure of the Texas Hill Country and, through its many
3 endeavors, has helped ensure the legacy of the American West for
4 many years to come; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
6 Legislature hereby commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Museum
7 of Western Art in Kerrville and extend sincere best wishes to the
8 museum's staff and supporters for continued success; and, be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for the museum as an expression of high regard by the Texas
12 House of Representatives.

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Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Peña
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

H.R. No. 249

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 249 was adopted by the House on
February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House