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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The achievement of Texas independence in 1836 marked
2 the culmination of a heroic struggle and the beginning of a new
3 chapter in Texas history, and a series of recordings and a companion
4 film produced by K. R. Wood and Jeff Horny pay tribute to that
5 dramatic period; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Wood, a singer and songwriter, chronicled the
7 colonization efforts of Moses Austin and Stephen F. Austin and the
8 story of the Texas Revolution in his first CD, titled *Fathers of*
9 *Texas*; a compilation of songs, narration, and poetry, the album
10 contained performances by many well-known artists, among them Gary
11 P. Nunn, Steven Fromholz, Shake Russell, Eliza Gilkyson, and the
12 late Townes Van Zandt; subsequent recordings in the *Fathers of*
13 *Texas* series include *Crockett Chronicles*, *Los Tejanos*, and *Their*
14 *Blood Ran Red Too*, which honor the part played in the Texas
15 Revolution by David Crockett, Tejanos, and African Americans,
16 respectively; and

17 WHEREAS, This talented Texan has also recorded *Camp Cookie*
18 *and the Cow Camp Review*, a collection of songs and tales inspired by
19 the days of the cattle drives, and *Davy Crockett's Fiddle Plays On*,
20 a live concert performed inside the Alamo with what is believed to
21 be Davy Crockett's own fiddle; and

22 WHEREAS, K. R. Wood is currently touring with the Gone to
23 Texas Band, playing music from the *Fathers of Texas* series; a film
24 documenting the tour is being created by Mr. Wood and by Jeff Horny

1 under the title *Fathers of Texas: 175 Years of Texas Independence*;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Blending traditional tunes and his own
4 compositions, K. R. Wood evokes the freedom-loving spirit and
5 unyielding determination that brought the Republic of Texas into
6 being and that subsequently built the Lone Star State, and he and
7 Jeff Horny are indeed deserving of recognition for their commitment
8 to sharing the stirring saga of those eventful years; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
11 Legislature hereby commemorate the 175th anniversary of the winning
12 of Texas independence and express appreciation to K. R. Wood, Jeff
13 Horny, and all those who have participated in the making of the
14 *Fathers of Texas* music series and the documentary film based on it
15 for helping Texans gain a deeper appreciation of their rich and
16 diverse heritage; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
18 for Mr. Wood and Mr. Horny as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.