R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, The Classical Center at Brandenburg Middle School
2 Honors Band performed at the 2011 Music for All National Festival in
3 Indianapolis on March 17, 2011; and
4   WHEREAS, Recognized as the pinnacle of educational
5 programming for high school instrumental music programs, Music for
6 All draws more than 300,000 people to its events annually; it is one
7 of the most influential music education organizations in the
8 country, and only four middle schools were invited to perform this
9 year at what the former conductor of the United States Air Force
10 Band has called "the epitome of music festivals in America"; and
11   WHEREAS, The Garland Independent School District opened
12 Brandenburg Middle School in 1974, and the school's band program
13 began the same year; over the last decade, band director Kelley
14 Taylor has guided the Classical Center at Brandenburg through a
15 period of major growth and success; the program today includes more
16 than 250 students in grades 6-8, and the young musicians who have
17 participated have brought home numerous awards; and
18   WHEREAS, In attaining the level of musicianship necessary to
19 perform at a national event of this magnitude, the students in the
20 Classical Center at Brandenburg Middle School Honors Band have
21 demonstrated exceptional talent and a steadfast commitment to
22 excellence, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize them for their
23 achievement; now, therefore, be it
24   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

1 Legislature hereby recognize the Classical Center at Brandenburg

2 Honors Band for performing at the 2011 Music for All National

3 Festival and extend to the young musicians and their director

4 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

5   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

6 prepared for the band as an expression of high regard by the Texas

7 House of Representatives.