

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 674

WHEREAS, Doice Grant of Longview is being inducted into the Stephen F. Austin State University Band Directors' Hall of Fame on April 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Class of 1982, Mr. Grant graduated with a bachelor's degree in music from Stephen F. Austin State University, where he served as president and treasurer of Kappa Kappa Psi, the national honorary band fraternity; he was also an active member of Pi Kappa Lambda and the Alpha Chi Honor Society, and for his talents as an instrumentalist, he was named an Outstanding Bandsman by the Lumberjack Marching Band; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Grant went on to join the Carthage Independent School District as a middle school band director in 1983, and he piloted his students to two consecutive University Interscholastic League Sweepstakes Awards; in 1985, he assumed the baton at Center High School, and his ensemble received a Sweepstakes Award each year of his tenure and twice won Outstanding Band honors at the National Association of Military Marching Bands Contest; following his retirement in 1993, he became the owner of the Tatum Music Company, where he has rendered invaluable service to bands across East Texas for nearly a quarter century; and

WHEREAS, A proud Lumberjack, Mr. Grant played a vital role in the formation of the university's Band Alumni Association, which he has served as president, and the university's Band Directors' Hall of Fame; he has further distinguished himself as president of the National Association of Military Marching Bands

and as chair of Region 21 of the Texas Music Educators Association; moreover, he was selected in 1992 as a member of the international bandmasters' fraternity Phi Beta Mu; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Grant is supported by the love and encouragement of his wife, Beth, and he takes immense pride in their two children, Rachel and Levi; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of his outstanding career, Doice Grant has inspired countless young Texans through his unflagging enthusiasm for music, and he is truly a credit to his alma mater; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby congratulate Doice Grant on his induction into the Stephen F. Austin State University Band Directors' Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. Grant as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 26, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate