

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Austin-based band Wood & Wire was nominated for a
2 Grammy Award for the 2019 Best Bluegrass Album for *North of Despair*;
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4 WHEREAS, Formed in 2011, Wood & Wire includes
5 guitarist-vocalist Tony Kamel, mandolinist Billy Bright, banjo
6 player Trevor Smith, and Dominic Fisher on upright bass; and

7 WHEREAS, The group has recorded three full-length studio LPs,
8 as well as two EPs and a live album; after honing their latest songs
9 during three solid years on the road, the members elected to record
10 *North of Despair* in Dripping Springs; they cut the tracks mostly
11 live to tape, using only minimal editing, in order to retain the
12 energy of their concerts; and

13 WHEREAS, Wood & Wire has represented Texas admirably on the
14 bluegrass scene, and these talented musicians may take justifiable
15 pride in this well-deserved national recognition; now, therefore,
16 be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
18 Legislature hereby congratulate Wood & Wire on its nomination for a
19 Grammy Award for Best Bluegrass Album and extend to the members
20 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for the band as an expression of high regard by the Texas
23 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 486

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 486 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House