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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Chapter of the Recording  
2 Academy are gathering in Austin on February 18, 2025, in  
3 celebration of the unique musical heritage of our state; and

4 WHEREAS, The birthplace of such distinctive styles as Texas  
5 country and Tejano, the Lone Star State has produced culturally  
6 significant artists in every musical genre; at the Recording  
7 Academy's 67th annual Grammy Awards and 25th annual Latin Grammy  
8 Awards, Texas nominees and winners across multiple categories  
9 included Beyoncé, Erykah Badu, Kirk Franklin, Post Malone, Charley  
10 Crockett, Yolanda Adams, Khruangbin, Sue Foley, Ruthie Foster,  
11 Sangeeta Kaur, Israel and New Breed, Jamestown Revival, Shauna and  
12 Sarah Dodds, Grupo Frontera, Entocable, and El Plan, along with  
13 many who work behind the scenes, among them producers, engineers,  
14 and songwriters; and

15 WHEREAS, A number of Texas artists have been honored in  
16 recent years with the prestigious Recording Academy Lifetime  
17 Achievement Award, including Corpus Christi native Selena  
18 Quintanilla-Perez and Dallas/Fort Worth native DJ Spinderella as a  
19 member of Salt-N-Pepa; in addition, Texas claimed back-to-back  
20 recipients of the academy's Music Educator of the Year Award with  
21 2023 honoree Pamela Dawson, director of choral music at DeSoto High  
22 School, and 2022 winner Stephen Cox, director of bands for Advanced  
23 Learning Academy and Fox Tech and CAST Tech High Schools in San  
24 Antonio; and

1           WHEREAS, Established in 1998, the Texas Chapter of the  
2 Recording Academy is dedicated to advancing music education, which  
3 enriches the lives of countless students, and promoting an industry  
4 that generates tens of billions of dollars for the state; tied to an  
5 estimated 210,000-plus jobs, the economic sector is also supported  
6 by the efforts of the Texas Music Office, created by the Texas  
7 Legislature for that purpose; and

8           WHEREAS, The music industry enhances the prosperity of the  
9 Lone Star State and contributes significantly to the vibrancy of  
10 American culture, and it is a pleasure to acknowledge its important  
11 role; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby recognize February 18, 2025, as Texas Music  
14 Advocacy Day at the State Capitol and extend sincere best wishes for  
15 continued success to the members of the Texas Chapter of the  
16 Recording Academy.