

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

BY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND RECOGNIZING MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS
2 MONTH.
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4 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

5 WHEREAS, the study of music is basic to a complete education; provides
6 a competitive edge for successful educational reform; engages students in
7 individual and group activity; contributes to young people's development
8 through listening, reading, self-expression, and creativity; and develops
9 creativity, problem-solving, and critical and evaluative skills; and

10 WHEREAS, music education helps students acquire skills in production
11 and performance of music, as well as an understanding of history and culture;
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13 WHEREAS, music education in schools includes a broad range of types of
14 music and active musical experiences; and

15 WHEREAS, music and the other arts significantly enhance the morale and
16 quality of the school environment; and

17 WHEREAS, Music in Our Schools Month is the National Association for Mu-
18 sic Education's annual monthlong celebration, held every March since 1985 to
19 engage music educators, students, and communities in promoting the benefits
20 of high-quality music education programs in schools; and

21 WHEREAS, the Idaho Music Educators Association is concerned with main-
22 taining and improving school music programs for all students regardless of
23 their socioeconomic status or their abilities.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Ses-
25 sion of the Sixty-fifth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
26 the Senate concurring therein, that we recognize and commend the Idaho Music
27 Educators Association for its concern for and efforts to enhance the quality
28 of music education in Idaho schools.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we hereby recognize the month of March each
30 year as Music in Our Schools Month in the State of Idaho, and we endorse the
31 observance of Music in Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the
32 purposes and practices of music education and encourage teachers, students,
33 and all citizens to participate.