

Senate Resolution 617

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Music Educators Association and recognizing March 2022 as
2 Music in our Schools Month; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Music Educators Association was founded in 1938 and has been
4 active in music education in Georgia since that time; it currently has approximately 3,000
5 members who are public school, private school, college and university, and private studio
6 music teachers; and

7 WHEREAS, the Georgia Music Educators Association is concerned with maintaining and
8 improving school music programs for all students regardless of their socio-economic status
9 or their abilities; and

10 WHEREAS, more than 20,000 students participate in their all-state program; more than
11 2,000 bands, choruses, and orchestra attend their Large Group Performance Evaluation; and
12 17,000 students perform for adjudication at their Solo and Ensemble Evaluations; and

13 WHEREAS, the study of music is basic to the complete education; provides a competitive
14 edge for successful educational reform; engages students in individual and group activity;
15 and develops creativity, problem-solving, and critical and evaluative skills.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
17 commend the Georgia Music Educators Association for its concern and efforts to enhance
18 the quality of music education in Georgia schools and recognize March 2022 as Music in our
19 Schools Month.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body celebrate the observance of
21 Music in our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of music
22 education and encourage teachers, students, and citizens to participate.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia Music
25 Educators Association, the public, and the press.