

## Senate Resolution 822

By: Senators Halpern of the 39th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th and Davenport of the 44th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and celebrating March 2024 as Music in our Schools Month; and for other  
2 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, to promote music education in Georgia, it sponsors teacher members  
8 conferences, and, for the student members, it provides performance evaluations for  
9 individuals and ensembles including band, choral, and orchestra at all levels; 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; and

16 WHEREAS, music education helps students acquire skills in production and performance  
17 of music, as well as an understanding of history and culture.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
19 recognize and celebrate March 2024 as Music in our Schools Month.

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