

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

Relating to make music day.

Whereas the Summer Solstice, June 21, is the first day of summer and an appropriate day to annually celebrate the myriad of joys and benefits of making music; and

Whereas this event began over 35 years ago in France as Fête de la Musique, and observations of Make Music Day now take place internationally in over 800 cities in 120 countries around the world; and

Whereas these celebrations have become a global phenomenon involving millions of musicians of all styles and skill levels, performing publicly; and

Whereas making music continues to demonstrate the power of music as providing enjoyment, building cultural connections, raising social awareness, celebrating history, and examining the whole of the human experience; and

Whereas making music inspires people of all abilities, persuasions, and ethnicities to come together to "just play"; and

Whereas making music is an integral part of United States and Missouri culture and a chronicle of the Nation's struggles and triumphs; and

Whereas making music advances learning, enhances the overall educational experience, and contributes to a complete education; and

Whereas making music is shown to benefit the well-being of people throughout their lives, and that making music contributes to a fuller, more satisfying life; and

Whereas Make Music Day will come to life throughout the United States with thousands of events on June 21st, when musicians of all ages and abilities will perform on streets,

sidewalks, stoops, plazas, parks, in group lessons, solo performances, instrument circles, musical parades, and mass appeal events open to all:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby designate June 21 of each year as "Make Music Day" in Missouri; and

Be It Further Resolved that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.