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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The study of music is basic to a complete  
3 education; it provides a competitive edge for successful  
4 educational reform, engages students in individual and group  
5 activity, and develops creativity, problem-solving, and  
6 critical and evaluative skills; and

7           WHEREAS, Music education helps students acquire skills in  
8 the production and performance of music, as well as an  
9 understanding of history and culture; and

10           WHEREAS, The Illinois Music Educators Association is  
11 concerned with maintaining and improving school music programs  
12 for all students regardless of their socioeconomic status or  
13 their abilities; therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize and  
16 commend the Illinois Music Educators Association for their  
17 concern for and efforts to enhance the quality of music  
18 education in Illinois schools; and be it further

19           RESOLVED, That we proclaim the month of March of 2017 as  
20 "Music In Our Schools Month", and we urge the observance of  
21 Music In Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the

1 purposes and practices of music education and encourage  
2 teachers, students, and all citizens to participate.