

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Senator Jewell**

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 COMMENDING MR. ART PORTER FOR ENRICHING THE LIVES OF  
9 ARKANSANS AND PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD THROUGH HIS DILIGENT  
10 PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 COMMENDING MR. ART PORTER FOR HIS DILIGENT PURSUIT OF  
14 EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC.

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16 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter is a fixture in Arkansas providing world class music  
17 to the citizens of this State, especially in the field of jazz, a uniquely  
18 American art form;

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20 WHEREAS, Mr. Art Porter has maintained a remarkable life-long commitment  
21 to music;

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23 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter is an outstanding role model for aspiring musicians  
24 having translated his musical talents into a successful career through sincere  
25 effort, perseverance and dedication;

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27 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter's gifts as an artist continue to inspire those who  
28 are touched by his music;

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30 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter's unrelenting enthusiasm for his work has challenged  
31 his colleagues and his audiences' to deepen their understanding and  
32 appreciation of music;

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34 WHEREAS, during his career, Mr. Porter has enjoyed tremendous success as  
35 a music teacher, educating students at Horace Mann High School, Parkview High

1 School and Philander Smith College;

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3 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter has generously shared his musical talents with the  
4 congregation of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church by serving as  
5 church organist for thirty-five (35) years;

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7 WHEREAS, for ten (10) years, Mr. Porter hosted a television program "The  
8 Minor Key, A Portrait of Black Culture in Arkansas" which showcased the talent  
9 of black Arkansans in music, art, drama and literature;

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11 WHEREAS, Mr. Porter has been and remains a great source of pride for the  
12 State of Arkansas as an ambassador of good will through music to people around  
13 the world;

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15 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly  
16 publicly recognize and commend Art Porter's exemplary career in music and his  
17 contribution to the arts in Arkansas;

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19 NOW THEREFORE,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
21 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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23 THAT the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly and the individual members of  
24 the General Assembly express sincere appreciation to Art Porter for enriching  
25 the lives of the people of Arkansas and people around the world through his  
26 diligent pursuit of excellence in music and extend him best wishes for a  
27 continued successful and noteworthy career.

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