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5 By: Representatives Dotson, McCollum, Petty, McKenzie, Della Rosa, D. Douglas
6 By: Senators Hester, J. Hendren

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8 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO COMMEND THE BENTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL WIND ENSEMBLE.

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12 **Subtitle**

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17 WHEREAS, the Bentonville High School Wind Ensemble is directed by Tim
18 Hendrix and the assistant director is Philip Shewmaker; and

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20 WHEREAS, the wind ensemble is the uppermost of the 4 concert bands at
21 Bentonville High School and has been selected to perform as a featured band
22 at the National Concert Band Festival, held at Butler University in
23 Indianapolis, on March 14, 2019; the invitation to perform at this
24 prestigious festival signals the arrival of Bentonville High music program as
25 a leading instrumental music program nationally and parallels the Bentonville
26 Pride High School Marching Band's recent ascent into the realm of the
27 nation's best; and as a featured band, Bentonville High School's band program
28 will be showcased as a model program that other bands attending can look up
29 to and learn from; and

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31 WHEREAS, the band program's continued strengthening and growing in
32 national prominence serves to highlight the great things happening in the
33 arts community in Northwest Arkansas and also provides students with
34 unmatched opportunities to compete and learn at the highest levels available
35 to high school musicians; and



1 WHEREAS, in addition to this honor, a record number of Bentonville High
2 School band members earned seats in the Arkansas All-State Honor Band last
3 year, 20 of whom are still in high school and performing with the Bentonville
4 High School Wind Ensemble this school year; and

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6 WHEREAS, the Bentonville Pride High School Marching Band finished 22nd
7 at the recent Bands of America Grand National Championships, scoring its
8 highest-ever score in its 3 trips to the showcase of the country's best
9 marching band programs; and

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11 WHEREAS, Bentonville High School also hosted the first annual
12 Bentonville Marching Invitational contest in October 2018, drawing competing
13 bands from a 3-state region, and from as far away as Kansas City, Missouri,
14 and St. Louis, Missouri; and the invitational not only will build Bentonville
15 High School's program, but it will also build the programs of other bands
16 taking part, all the while growing interest in the emerging "sport" and
17 drawing more and more visitors to the Northwest Arkansas community to watch
18 the bands perform; and

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20 WHEREAS, the many accomplishments of the Bentonville High School band
21 program are testaments to the commitment to excellence Mr. Hendrix and Mr.
22 Shewmaker require from their students in a way that yields admiration for
23 their directors and forges lasting bonds among the band members; and

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25 WHEREAS, the students themselves are dedicated not only to their music
26 but also to their academic classwork, as band students are well-represented
27 in many of the high school's Advanced Placement courses, are frequently
28 awarded scholarships for both music and academics, and are generally
29 recognized for their overall leadership and academic qualities,

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31 NOW THEREFORE,

32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
33 ASSEMBLY, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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35 THAT the House of Representatives commend the Bentonville High School
36 Wind Ensemble for its caliber of performance, national recognition, high

1 standards, students, and directors.

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3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be
4 transmitted to Director Tim Hendrix by the Chief Clerk of the House of
5 Representatives.

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