## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6013

A RESOLUTION designating March 2021 as Music in Our Schools Month and recognizing the importance of arts education in all Kansas schools.

WHEREAS, The study of the arts is essential to gaining a complete education; and

WHEREAS, Arts education provides a competitive edge in bringing about successful educational reform. It engages students in individual and group activities and develops their creative, problem-solving, critical and evaluative skills; and

WHEREAS, Arts education helps students acquire production and performance skills in art, music and theater, as well as an understanding of history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Arts associations are dedicated to maintaining and improving arts programs for all students, regardless of their socioeconomic status or abilities; and

WHEREAS, Arts teachers have gone through extraordinary lengths to stay connected with students during the COVID-19 pandemic, despite performance and rehearsal restrictions: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we recognize and commend art, music and theater teachers for their efforts to enhance the lives of students throughout Kansas; and

*Be it further resolved:* That we hereby designate March 2021 as Music in Our Schools Month and recognize the importance of arts in all Kansas schools.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.