

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Poet Laureate, State Musician, and State
2 Artist Committee has selected Ralph White as Texas State Artist for
3 2003 in the two-dimensional category; and

4 WHEREAS, Educated at the Minneapolis School of Art, the
5 University of Minnesota, and the Pratt Institute of New York, Mr.
6 White is an artist with an impressive record of service,
7 accomplishment, and creativity; a test pilot and instructor during
8 World War II, his gouache and pen and ink works provide a realistic
9 representation of his stateside experiences during the war years,
10 while his abstract oils and acrylics from 40 years later illustrate
11 his versatility and ability to convey a wide range of emotions; and

12 WHEREAS, Coming to Austin and The University of Texas in
13 1946, Mr. White became one of the youngest faculty members in the
14 Department of Fine Arts, and by the time he retired 36 years later
15 and was named a professor emeritus by the university, he had taught
16 many of the next generation of outstanding Texas artists; and

17 WHEREAS, Ralph White's work, which has been exhibited in more
18 than 100 shows and competitions worldwide, expresses his positive
19 attitude, an exciting energy, and a deep appreciation of beauty;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional contributions to his chosen
22 field, Mr. White has earned the deepest appreciation and esteem of
23 his admirers, students, and fellow artists, and he has further
24 enriched the vibrant cultural life of the Lone Star State; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
3 hereby honor Ralph White on the occasion of his selection as Texas
4 State Artist for 2003 in the two-dimensional category; and, be it
5 further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mr. White as an expression of highest regard by the
8 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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David Dewhurst
President of the Senate

Tom Casad
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 230 was adopted by the House on May 7, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 230 was adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Patsy Shaw
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 23 MAY 03

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RICK PERRY
Governor

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Secretary of State