

House Resolution 1832

By: Representative Kaiser of the 59th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Black Crowes; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Black Crowes rock and roll band began in 1984 in Atlanta, Georgia, as a
3 revivalist band dedicated to celebrating and playing 1970s-era blues rock; and
- 4 WHEREAS, originally called Mr. Crowes Garden, the Black Crowes have been driven to
5 succeed by brothers Chris and Rich Robinson, and today they are listed at #92 on VH1's 100
6 Greatest Artists of Hard Rock; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1990, the band released their first studio album, *Shake Your Money Maker*,
8 which received multiplatinum certification and has sold over 8 million copies worldwide, and
9 was voted 'Best New American Band' by the readers of *Rolling Stone*; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a stripped-down, sexy sound that combines R&B, blues, arena rock, and boogie,
11 *Shake Your Money Maker* came along at a time when grunge and alternative rock had
12 temporarily done away with the notion of rock as a place for playful, soulful good times; and
- 13 WHEREAS, their songs "Hard to Handle" and "She Talks to Angels" from the *Shake Your*
14 *Money Maker* album both broke into the Top 30 on the pop charts in 1991; and
- 15 WHEREAS, their second album, the double-platinum *The Southern Harmony and Musical*
16 *Companion*, was released in 1992 and hit #1 on the *Billboard* 200 chart; and
- 17 WHEREAS, in 1994 they released *America*, which reached Gold status, selling over 500,000
18 copies; they released *Three Snakes and One Charm* in 1996; and they followed up with *By*
19 *Your Side* in 1999 and *Lions* in 2001; and

20 WHEREAS, after a break to pursue solo careers in 2002, the band reunited in 2005, releasing
21 *Warpaint* in 2008, which debuted at #5 on the *Billboard* 200 chart, and the double record
22 *Before the Frost...Until the Freeze* in 2009; and

23 WHEREAS, styled after the Rolling Stones, the Black Crowes have amassed an international
24 fan base and following over the last three decades, and the successful music career of this
25 Georgia band is worthy of recognition.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body recognize the Black Crowes for three decades of incredible music
28 and extend to them sincere best wishes for future success in the music industry.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Black Crowes.