

Senate Resolution 563

By: Senators Henson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Sims of the 12th and Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Berklee College of Music and recognizing the fifth anniversary of the Berklee
2 College of Music's Atlanta Spring Break Trip; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Berklee College of Music was established in 1945 around two revolutionary
4 ideas: that musicianship could be taught through the music of the time and that students need
5 practical, professional skills in order to develop successful, sustainable music careers; and

6 WHEREAS, Berklee College of Music wholeheartedly embraces change, as evidenced by
7 its constantly updated curriculum and technology that make the college more relevant, and
8 attracts diverse students who reflect the multiplicity of influences in today's music; and

9 WHEREAS, for the past five years, a group of Berklee College of Music students have spent
10 their spring break in Atlanta, Georgia, receiving an intensive, in-depth view of the Atlanta
11 music industry; and

12 WHEREAS, the trip provides invaluable insight through the students' direct interactions with
13 various promoters, accomplished musical artists, songwriters, producers, engineers, alumni,
14 and other music industry professionals; and

15 WHEREAS, the trip is led by Prince Charles Alexander, Professor of Music Production and
16 Engineering; Carl Beatty, Assistant Vice President of Artist and Music Industry Relations;
17 Karen Bell, Chief Alumni Officer; and Jason Stokes, Assistant Professor of Music
18 Production and Engineering; and

19 WHEREAS, students on past trips have visited the Atlanta chapters of BMI, SESAC,
20 ASCAP, and NARAS; the recording studios Silent Sound, Patchwerk, Doppler, DARP,
21 ZAC, and Tree Sound; the law offices of Greenberg-Traurig; and CNN, Tyler Perry Studios,
22 Live Nation, the Tabernacle, V-103, Club Apache, SAE, the King Center, and Max Lager's,
23 an establishment owned by alumnus John Roberts; and

24 WHEREAS, by visiting Atlanta, Berklee College of Music remains connected to many of
25 the musical innovations that have shifted to the South and the City of Atlanta.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend Berklee College of Music and recognize the fifth anniversary of Berklee College
28 of Music's Atlanta Spring Break Trip.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Berklee College of
31 Music.