

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Star-Spangled Banner was adopted as the National Anthem of the United States in 1931 by an Act of Congress; and

WHEREAS, school music education ensures preservation of the musical traditions and historical legacies of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the study of music provides a competitive edge for successful educational reform, engages students in individual and group activity, develops creativity, problem-solving, and critical and evaluative skill; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Music Education and the Ohio Music Education Association have taken a lead role in promoting the National Anthem through "The National Anthem Project"; and

WHEREAS, the First Lady of the United States, Laura Bush, has agreed to serve as the Honorary Chairperson of "The National Anthem Project" and is lending her support and visibility to this effort; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio is concerned with maintaining and improving school music programs for all students and teaching the importance of the historical events that created our great nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Anthem Project Road Show is touring the continental United States and Alaska in 2006 to bring its campaign of America's musical heritage and education to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BOB TAFT, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize August 4, 2006 as

NATIONAL ANTHEM PROJECT DAY

throughout the State of Ohio and urge all music educators, local officials and residents of Ohio to participate in this project and to celebrate the history of the National Anthem of the United States of America.

On this 4th day of August, 2006;

Bob Taft

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Governor

