

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR A Message from the Governor:

WHEREAS, I am pleased to extend greetings to all in attendance as you celebrate the best of jazz at what I am certain will be a truly memorable event for all music lovers present;

WHEREAS, music is a universal language that unites us all;

WHEREAS, today, music stands as a treasured avenue through which men and women, regardless of their heritage and history, can express their dreams and sorrows, their recollections of yesteryear and their expectations for the future;

WHEREAS, the Women in Jazz Association and jazz performers and enthusiasts have proudly embraced this valued musical genre intrinsic to our rich tapestry of cultures;

WHEREAS, across the globe, men and women have come to appreciate jazz and the talented vocalists and musicians who bring entertainment and enjoyment to all;

WHEREAS, art forms that successfully transcend generations endure through the excellence and commitment of artists and all others who participate in furthering awareness and appreciation; and

WHEREAS, the Women in Jazz Association and all who work to this end embrace goals that continue to make a difference.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Perry, Governor of the great State of Texas, do join in paying tribute to jazz musicians and organizations on June 2, 2007 as you celebrate:

Women in Jazz Day

Sincerely

RICK PERRY
Governor