

Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller, one of rock'n'roll's early songwriting teams, had written "Kansas City" back in 1952. It took seven years for them to find the artist for the song. When Wilbert Harrison recorded "Kansas City" in 1959, *Billboard* called it "a finger-snapping blues with a contagious sound." The song has gone on to become one of the most played standards of all time, usually with a stop-time device in the later verses.

# Kansas City

AS RECORDED BY WILBERT HARRISON

♩ = 118

HH Shuffle

1

**A**

5

**B**

17

**C**

29

**D** RIDE

41

49

**E** HH

53

3X WITH FADE

61