

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Muslim community from throughout the
2 state are gathering in Austin on March 7, 2023, to celebrate the
3 20th Texas Muslim Capitol Day; and

4 WHEREAS, Texans made history in 2022 with the election of the
5 first two Muslim Americans to the Texas House of Representatives,
6 Rep. Suleman Lalani, M.D. (HD 76) and Rep. Salman Bhojani (HD 92);
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The Muslim community is one of the fastest-growing
9 communities in Texas, with almost 500,000 residents who identify as
10 Muslim, constituting 1.7 percent of the state's population; and

11 WHEREAS, Muslims in America are one of the most racially
12 diverse communities; and

13 WHEREAS, The Muslim community pioneered mathematical
14 concepts such as algebra, the creation of zero, the modern-day
15 decimal point system, calculus, and the concept of raising a number
16 to a power; moreover, the Muslim community developed numerous
17 advancements in astronomy, geography, and medicine; in the 11th
18 century, Muslim doctors invented hundreds of surgical tools; and

19 WHEREAS, The unwavering dedication of the leaders from the
20 Islamic community in the State of Texas has served as an impetus for
21 a more equal and altruistic population; Muslims have held public
22 office in Texas from the local level, such as city council members
23 and judges, all the way up to state representatives; and

24 WHEREAS, By bringing their perspectives to the legislative

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1 forum, members of the Muslim community are contributing to the
2 dialogue on policy issues and helping to work toward a brighter
3 future for all residents of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be
4 it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
6 Legislature hereby recognize March 7, 2023, as Texas Muslim Capitol
7 Day and extend to all those participating sincere best wishes for an
8 enjoyable and memorable visit to Austin.

Lalani
Reynolds
Meza
Bhojani

Phelan	González of El Paso	Moody
Allen	Goodwin	Morales of Harris
Allison	Guerra	Morales of Maverick
Anchía	Guillen	Morales Shaw
Bailes	Harless	Morrison
Bernal	Hernandez	Muñoz, Jr.
Bhojani	Herrero	Murr
Bonnen	Hinojosa	Neave Criado
Bowers	Holland	Noble
Bryant	Howard	Oliverson
Buckley	Hull	Ordaz
Bucy	Hunter	Ortega
Bumgarner	Jetton	Patterson
Burns	Johnson of Dallas	Perez
Burrows	A. Johnson of Harris	Plesa
Button	J. Johnson of Harris	Ramos
Campos	Jones of Dallas	Raney
Canales	Jones of Harris	Raymond
Capriglione	Kacal	Reynolds
Clardy	King of Hemphill	Romero, Jr.
Cole	King of Uvalde	Rose
Collier	Kitzman	Rosenthal
Cook	Klick	Schofield
Cortez	Kuempel	Shaheen
Darby	Lalani	Sherman, Sr.
Davis	Lambert	Shine
Dean	Landgraf	Smithee
DeAyala	Leach	Talarico
Dutton	Longoria	Thierry
Flores	Lopez of Bexar	Thimesch
Frank	Lozano	Thompson of Brazoria
Frazier	Lujan	Thompson of Harris
Gamez	Manuel	Turner
Garcia	Martinez	VanDeaver
Geren	Martinez Fischer	Vo
Gervin-Hawkins	Metcalf	Walle
Goldman	Meyer	Wu
González of Dallas	Meza	Zwiener

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 313 was adopted by the House on March 7, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House