

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The observance of Special Hearts Day on December 8,  
2 2023, provides an ideal opportunity to celebrate the unique talents  
3 and abilities of Texans with special needs; and

4           WHEREAS, Special Hearts Day supports the mission of Special  
5 Hearts in the Arts, a nonprofit organization in Corpus Christi that  
6 offers weekly classes in theatre arts, dance, music, art, and film  
7 to persons with special needs, in addition to helping them build  
8 confidence and showcase their creative gifts through public  
9 engagements and performances; and

10           WHEREAS, Through Special Hearts Day, the organization is  
11 working to build a more inclusive community in which people are  
12 defined by their abilities rather than their disabilities; the  
13 annual event serves as a celebration of all special abilities,  
14 whether they are discovered through fine arts, sports, or other  
15 avenues of life, and emphasizes the way that these creative and  
16 athletic outlets bring joy to individuals with special needs and  
17 those around them; and

18           WHEREAS, Our communities are made stronger when all residents  
19 are valued and supported, and Special Hearts Day is helping to make  
20 this vision a reality for those with special abilities to share with  
21 the world; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby recognize December 8, 2023, as Special Hearts  
24 Day and commend Special Hearts in the Arts and all of the families,

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1 volunteers, and community members who are part of this important  
2 endeavor; and, be it further

3         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Special Hearts in the Arts as an expression of high  
5 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 319 was adopted by the House on March 8, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House