By: Herrero H.R. No. 319

RESOLUTION

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.