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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Hindu New Year is being observed on March 22, 2023;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, An occasion celebrated by Hindus in India and by
- 4 Hindus of other nationalities, Hindu New Year takes place during
- 5 the month of Chaitra, typically between March and April, according
- 6 to the Hindu calendar; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Hindus from different regions of India observe the
- 8 New Year at different times and call it by many names, among them
- 9 Varsha Pratipada, Yugadi, Ugadi, Gudi Padwa, Baisakhi, Bihu,
- 10 Puthandu, Vishu, Pana Sankranti, and Pohela Boishakh; the Hindu New
- 11 Year is commonly associated with spring and is accompanied by
- 12 customs that vary from region to region, which include decorating
- 13 homes with vibrant flowers, eating special foods, and enjoying
- 14 other regional festivities with unique colors, rituals, and music;
- 15 and
- 16 WHEREAS, Our state is enriched immeasurably by the
- 17 contributions of Hindu Americans, a large and multifaceted
- 18 population with a lush tapestry of beliefs and practices, and Hindu
- 19 New Year is an important and much-anticipated event for Hindus who
- 20 call Texas home; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby recognize March 22, 2023, as Hindu New Year and
- 3 extend to Hindus across the state of Texas sincere best wishes for a
- 4 joyous and memorable celebration.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 450 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House