

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity are visiting the  
2 State Capitol on March 21, 2023, and this occasion provides a  
3 fitting opportunity to honor the organization for its record of  
4 leadership and service; and

5           WHEREAS, Omega Psi Phi was established by three students on  
6 the campus of Howard University in 1911; the Ninth District of Omega  
7 Psi Phi Fraternity was ratified 12 years later, expanding the  
8 fraternity to Texas, as well as to Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma,  
9 and California; today, the organization encompasses more than 750  
10 undergraduate and graduate chapters across the United States and  
11 around the world; and

12           WHEREAS, The fraternity encourages its members to strive for  
13 academic excellence and to use their resources for the betterment  
14 of society; working diligently toward the greater good, members  
15 promote education, support voter registration, fight illiteracy,  
16 volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, and participate in numerous  
17 other mentoring and fund-raising activities; and

18           WHEREAS, In 1945, Omega Psi Phi launched a National Social  
19 Action Program to help address the needs of African Americans in the  
20 areas of health, housing, civil rights, and education; recent  
21 initiatives include "Brother, You're on My Mind," a collaboration  
22 with the National Institute on Minority Health and Health  
23 Disparities to start conversations about mental health; in 2022,  
24 the fraternity formed a partnership with the Alzheimer's

1 Association to raise awareness of the disease in the Black  
2 community and connect those affected and their families with  
3 resources; and

4 WHEREAS, The men of Omega Psi Phi have distinguished  
5 themselves through their countless good works, and they are to be  
6 commended for their dedication to positive change and to the  
7 principles that have guided this outstanding organization for more  
8 than a century; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby recognize March 21, 2023, as Omega Psi Phi Day at  
11 the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting  
12 delegation.

J. Johnson of Harris

H.R. No. 523

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 523 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2023, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House