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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sindhi Saqafat, a day of unity and celebration for  
2 the people of Pakistan's Sindh province and members of the Sindhi  
3 diaspora, is taking place on December 3, 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, The festival, which is also known as Sindhi Cultural  
5 Day, provides an opportunity for Sindhi people to showcase their  
6 centuries-old culture and to convey a message of peace and love to  
7 the world; and

8 WHEREAS, Since first being observed on December 6, 2009, the  
9 festival has grown in popularity, and it is now celebrated in every  
10 major city of Sindh and in many other areas across the globe; on  
11 this occasion, revelers don traditional attire, including printed  
12 shawls known as *ajrak* and caps known as *topi*, items that are also  
13 exchanged as gifts at ceremonies held during the day; and

14 WHEREAS, Sindhi political, social, and religious  
15 organizations host a variety of activities throughout Sindhi  
16 Saqafat, including poetry and literary readings, musical concerts,  
17 theatrical performances, seminars, rallies, debates, and bonfire  
18 gatherings called *mach kachehri*; at the largest assemblies that  
19 occur during Sindhi Saqafat, famous Sindhi singers perform  
20 well-known tunes such as "Jeay Sindh Jeay-Sindh Wara Jean," the  
21 Sindhi national song, as crowds dance jubilantly; and

22 WHEREAS, Sindhi Saqafat is a festive and joyful occasion for  
23 the global Sindhi community, whose members share a deep sense of  
24 pride in their culture, history, and heritage, and it is indeed

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1 fitting to acknowledge the significance of the event for those of  
2 Sindhi descent who reside in our state and nation; now, therefore,  
3 be it

4           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby commemorate Sindhi Saqafat 2023 and extend  
6 sincere best wishes to those throughout the State of Texas who are  
7 participating in the observance.