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S.C.R. No. 42

1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Special Hearts Day recognizes and celebrates the  
3 important mission of Special Hearts in the Arts, a nonprofit  
4 organization that seeks to build more inclusive communities by  
5 providing opportunities for persons with special needs to engage in  
6 the arts; and

7 WHEREAS, Located in Corpus Christi, Special Hearts in the  
8 Arts offers weekly classes and activities in theater arts, dance,  
9 music, art, and film to members of the community with special needs;  
10 the organization embraces a focus on special abilities rather than  
11 disabilities, and its programs allow persons with special needs to  
12 explore their own individual talents and showcase their creative  
13 work; and

14 WHEREAS, Developing and sharing their diverse abilities  
15 empowers participants of Special Hearts in the Arts to express  
16 their creativity and to connect with others, and experiencing the  
17 unique gifts each person has to offer enables others to appreciate  
18 the remarkable contributions these extraordinary individuals make  
19 in their communities; and

20 WHEREAS, Special Hearts Day pays tribute to the exemplary  
21 efforts of Special Hearts in the Arts and encourages communities  
22 throughout the state to promote engagement in the arts for persons  
23 with special needs; the invaluable work of furthering the  
24 organization's mission contributes greatly to building and

1 strengthening Texas communities, and it is indeed fitting that  
2 Texans join in supporting and celebrating this mission of  
3 inclusivity, connection, and enrichment for all; now, therefore, be  
4 it

5         RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas  
6 hereby designate December 8 as Special Hearts Day; and, be it  
7 further

8         RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section  
9 [391.004\(d\)](#), Government Code, this designation remain in effect  
10 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally  
11 passed by the legislature.