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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Irving is
- 2 dedicated to fostering selfless service to society, faith, and
- 3 unity; and
- 4 WHEREAS, A social and spiritual Hindu organization,
- 5 Bochasanwasi Shri Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha, or
- 6 BAPS, was established by Shastriji Maharaj in 1907; it is based on
- 7 the teachings of Bhagwan Swaminarayan, who lived from 1781 to 1830;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, BAPS addresses the myriad challenges of today's
- 10 world, conducting its humanitarian work through a worldwide network
- 11 of nearly 4,000 centers; it encourages adherents to lead upright,
- 12 honest lives and to contribute to the greater good by volunteering
- 13 regularly; and
- WHEREAS, On January 24, 2015, members of the Mandir in Irving
- 15 joined in the worldwide celebrations of the 150th anniversary of
- 16 the birth of Shastriji Maharaj; his knowledge of Hindu scriptures
- 17 and his life devoted to the timeless principles of truth,
- 18 sacrifice, and loyalty remain a source of profound inspiration
- 19 today; and
- WHEREAS, The BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Irving provides
- 21 opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and service, and it
- 22 is indeed fitting to recognize its positive role in the community;
- 23 now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby honor the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in
- 2 Irving and extend sincere best wishes to its members; and, be it
- 3 further
- 4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 5 prepared for the Mandir as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 6 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 3393 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House