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R E S O L U T I O N

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

14 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

20 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.