

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For people throughout the world, Christmas is one of
2 the most joyous and meaningful times of the year; and

3 WHEREAS, On December 25, Christians commemorate the arrival
4 of a savior who promised redemption and eternal life to all
5 humankind; from his birth in Bethlehem to his crucifixion, Jesus
6 Christ led a life that has inspired billions of followers over the
7 course of two millennia; and

8 WHEREAS, The Yuletide season is a unique time of year, when
9 loved ones from near and far gather together to enjoy cherished
10 traditions, exchange gifts, and express their gratitude for one
11 another; in keeping with the generosity and kindness the season
12 inspires, countless people devote themselves to helping the less
13 fortunate during the holidays, donating food, clothing, and toys or
14 volunteering at shelters, senior centers, or other charitable
15 organizations; and

16 WHEREAS, The pageantry of Christmas is a sight to behold, as
17 homes, buildings, and streets are festooned with twinkling lights
18 and greenery and enlivened with displays that delight both young
19 and old; moreover, across the nation, communities celebrate the joy
20 of the season with numerous events, ranging from plays and concerts
21 at churches and schools to festivals and parades; and

22 WHEREAS, Amidst all the bustle and festivities, the original
23 meaning of Christmas still reveals itself, and as Texans observe
24 this treasured holiday, they may take to heart the virtues that

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1 define the true spirit of the season and endeavor to carry them
2 forward in the year ahead; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
4 Legislature hereby commemorate Christmas Day 2017.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2299 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House