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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, On February 6, 2019, the Bochasanwasi Akshar
- 2 Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) is paying tribute to the
- 3 diversity of the State of Texas by hosting the Celebration of Indian
- 4 American Culture in Texas at the historic State Capitol; and
- 5 WHEREAS, BAPS is a spiritual and charitable organization
- 6 dedicated to community service and to peace and harmony; BAPS
- 7 strives to care for the world by caring for societies, families, and
- 8 individuals; and
- 9 WHEREAS, BAPS is a prominent Hindu organization in Texas with
- 10 places of worship in Lubbock, Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, Houston,
- 11 League City, Beaumont, and Corpus Christi; its members serve the
- 12 community under the guidance and example of the group's spiritual
- 13 leader, His Holiness Mahant Swami Maharaj and through the wisdom of
- 14 his predecessor, His Holiness Pramukh Swami Maharaj, who often
- 15 said, "In the joy of others, lies our own"; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Celebration of Indian American Culture in Texas
- 17 recognizes the myriad spiritual, economic, and cultural
- 18 contributions that Indian Americans have made to the Lone Star
- 19 State; now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby commend BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha and His
- 22 Holiness Mahant Swami Maharaj on the organization's commitment to
- 23 community service in Texas and across the nation and extend to all
- 24 those associated with the group sincere appreciation for their

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- 1 important work; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for BAPS as an expression of high regard by the Texas House
- 4 of Representatives.