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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Ramadan, the ninth and holiest month of the Islamic  
2 calendar, is being observed around the world from May 5 to June 4,  
3 2019; and

4           WHEREAS, For people of the Muslim faith, Ramadan is a time for  
5 prayer, reflection, spiritual devotion, and self-restraint; it  
6 begins and ends with the appearance of the new moon, and throughout  
7 the month, Muslims fast from before dawn until sunset in order to  
8 deepen their faith and improve their moral discipline; as a  
9 substitute for fasting, some Muslims volunteer or perform righteous  
10 acts of service such as feeding the poor; and

11           WHEREAS, According to Islamic tradition, the Qur'an was  
12 revealed to the prophet Muhammad during the month of Ramadan, and  
13 during the observance, believers traditionally devote more hours to  
14 reading the holy book; nightly gatherings are held at mosques,  
15 during which special prayers are performed and the entire Qur'an  
16 may be recited by the end of the month; the conclusion of the  
17 Ramadan fast is celebrated as Eid al-Fitr, or the "Feast of  
18 Fast-Breaking," one of Islam's most significant religious  
19 holidays; and

20           WHEREAS, Muslims in Texas are united by their shared faith  
21 and strong religious traditions, and the holy month of Ramadan  
22 represents a sacred and deeply meaningful occasion for this  
23 community; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate Ramadan 2019.