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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Arlington Dragon Boat Festival Race for
- 2 Education is being held on June 15, 2019; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The event is presented by the Southwest Region of
- 4 the U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce Education
- 5 Foundation; founded in 1984, the national nonprofit represents the
- 6 Asian American community in business, sports, education, public
- 7 services, and the arts and sciences; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Part of an annual worldwide celebration, the dragon
- 9 boat race honors the poignant saga of Qu Yuan, a minister in a
- 10 Warring State government of ancient China who is said to have taken
- 11 his own life in the Miluo River after being slandered by corrupt
- 12 officials; upon hearing of his death, people rushed out in their
- 13 boats, beating drums and splashing the water with their paddles to
- 14 keep fish and evil spirits away from his body; and
- WHEREAS, The Asian American community plays a vital role in
- 16 the business, professional, and cultural life of Texas, and the
- 17 Dragon Boat Festival provides a fitting opportunity to recognize
- 18 the many contributions of its members; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2019 Arlington Dragon Boat
- 21 Festival Race for Education and extend to the Southwest Region of
- 22 the U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce Education
- 23 Foundation sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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- 1 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
- 2 Texas House of Representatives.