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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Federation of Korean Associations USA is
celebrating Korean American Day on January 13, 2024; and

3 WHEREAS, Just over 100 emigrants from Korea arrived in Hawaii on January 13, 1903, commencing the first significant wave of 4 5 Korean immigration to the U.S.; since then, Korean Americans have many vital contributions to made our 6 country, including 7 distinguished service in the military during our nation's wars, as 8 well significant achievements in science, medicine, as 9 engineering, architecture, art, literature, and the performing arts; in 2005, both houses of the U.S. Congress passed resolutions 10 11 recognizing the contributions of Korean Americans and encouraging 12 the celebration of Korean American Day every January 13th; and

WHEREAS, Representing more than 2.7 million Korean Americans, the Federation of Korean Associations USA is dedicated to supporting the activities of Korean American associations across the United States; these organizations work to advance the interests of the Korean American community, celebrate Korean culture and history, and promote volunteer and community service opportunities; and

20 WHEREAS, On the anniversary of the arrival of the first wave 21 of Korean immigrants to our nation, it is a great pleasure to join 22 with the Federation of Korean Associations USA in celebrating the 23 vibrancy of Korean American culture and the myriad accomplishments 24 of Korean Americans; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 2 Legislature hereby recognize January 13, 2024, as Korean American 3 Day and extend to all those associated with the Federation of Korean 4 Associations USA sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable 5 event.