

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than four decades, every U.S. president has
2 declared the annual observance of Education and Sharing Day in
3 honor of the anniversary of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson's
4 birth and his contributions to education; and

5 WHEREAS, One of the most celebrated figures in 20th century
6 Judaism, Rabbi Schneerson was born in Ukraine in 1902; he
7 demonstrated a remarkable aptitude for religious scholarship at a
8 young age, mastering the entire Talmud and many of its commentaries
9 by the age of 17; in the 1920s, he became part of the inner circle of
10 the Lubavitcher Rebbe, the leader of the Chabad-Lubavitch movement
11 in Judaism, and he married the Rebbe's daughter, Chaya Mushka;
12 forced to flee Berlin and later Paris because of Nazi
13 anti-Semitism, the couple settled in New York City in 1941; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1951, Rabbi Schneerson officially succeeded his
15 father-in-law as the Lubavitcher Rebbe, and over the next 44 years,
16 he built the movement into a worldwide community of 200,000
17 members; a strong advocate for children and education, he believed
18 that schools should stress both academic achievement and character
19 development, and he established several thousand Orthodox Jewish
20 schools and educational centers around the world before his passing
21 in 1994; and

22 WHEREAS, In recognition of Rabbi Schneerson's advocacy,
23 President Jimmy Carter proclaimed the first Education and Sharing
24 Day in 1978, and the tradition has continued each year since; the

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1 rabbi's birthday is celebrated on 11 Nissan of the Jewish
2 liturgical calendar, or four days before Passover, and in 2023 it
3 falls on April 2; his accolades further include a Congressional
4 Gold Medal, which he received posthumously in 1995; and

5 WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Rabbi Schneerson was a champion
6 for values-based learning, and Education and Sharing Day represents
7 an important opportunity for Texans to reflect not just on how to
8 foster academic achievement but also on how to ensure that young
9 people lead lives rich in purpose and fulfillment through service
10 and good works; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize April 2, 2023, as Education and
13 Sharing Day.

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Phelan	Guerra	Murr
Allen	Guillen	Neave Criado
Allison	Harless	Noble
Anchía	Harris of Anderson	Oliverson
Anderson	Harris of Williamson	Ordaz
Ashby	Harrison	Orr
Bailes	Hayes	Ortega
Bell of Kaufman	Hefner	Patterson
Bell of Montgomery	Hernandez	Paul
Bernal	Herrero	Perez
Bhojani	Hinojosa	Plesa
Bonnen	Holland	Price
Bowers	Howard	Ramos
Bryant	Hull	Raney
Buckley	Hunter	Raymond
Bucy	Isaac	Reynolds
Bumgarner	Jetton	Rogers
Burns	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burrows	A. Johnson of Harris	Rose
Button	J. Johnson of Harris	Rosenthal
Cain	Jones of Dallas	Schaefer
Campos	Jones of Harris	Schatzline
Canales	Kacal	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Hemphill	Shaheen
Clardy	King of Uvalde	Sherman, Sr.
Cole	Kitzman	Shine
Collier	Klick	Slaton
Cook	Kuempel	Slawson
Cortez	Lalani	Smith
Craddick	Lambert	Smithee
Cunningham	Landgraf	Spiller
Darby	Leach	Stucky
Davis	Leo-Wilson	Swanson
Dean	Longoria	Talarico
DeAyala	Lopez of Bexar	Tepper
Dorazio	Lopez of Cameron	Thierry
Dutton	Lozano	Thimesch
Flores	Lujan	Thompson of Brazoria
Frank	Manuel	Thompson of Harris
Frazier	Martinez	Tinderholt
Gamez	Martinez Fischer	Toth
Garcia	Metcalf	Troxclair
Gates	Meyer	Turner
Gerdes	Meza	VanDeaver
Geren	Moody	Vasut
Gervin-Hawkins	Morales of Harris	Vo
Goldman	Morales of Maverick	Walle
González of Dallas	Morales Shaw	Wilson
González of El Paso	Morrison	Wu
Goodwin	Muñoz, Jr.	Zwiener

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 623 was adopted by the House on March 28, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House