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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Special Hearts Day recognizes and celebrates the 3 important mission of Special Hearts in the Arts, a nonprofit

4 organization that seeks to build more inclusive communities by

5 providing opportunities for persons with special needs to engage in

6 the arts; and

7 WHEREAS, Located in Corpus Christi, Special Hearts in the

8 Arts offers weekly classes and activities in theater arts, dance,

9 music, art, and film to members of the community with special needs;

10 the organization embraces a focus on special abilities rather than

11 disabilities, and its programs allow persons with special needs to

12 explore their own individual talents and showcase their creative

13 work; and

14 WHEREAS, Developing and sharing their diverse abilities

15 empowers participants of Special Hearts in the Arts to express

16 their creativity and to connect with others, and experiencing the

17 unique gifts each person has to offer enables others to appreciate

18 the remarkable contributions these extraordinary individuals make

19 in their communities; and

20 WHEREAS, Special Hearts Day pays tribute to the exemplary

21 efforts of Special Hearts in the Arts and encourages communities

22 throughout the state to promote engagement in the arts for persons

23 with special needs; the invaluable work of furthering the

24 organization's mission contributes greatly to building and

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- 1 strengthening Texas communities, and it is indeed fitting that
- 2 Texans join in supporting and celebrating this mission of
- 3 inclusivity, connection, and enrichment for all; now, therefore, be
- 4 it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 6 hereby designate December 8 as Special Hearts Day; and, be it
- 7 further
- 8 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
- 9 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
- 10 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
- 11 passed by the legislature.