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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the State of Texas
- 2 joins the millions around the world in mourning the passing of His
- 3 Highness Shah Karim Al-Hussaini, Aga Khan IV, the 49th hereditary
- 4 Imam of the Shia Ismaili Muslim community and Founder and Chairman
- 5 of the Aga Khan Development Network; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Born on December 13, 1936, in Geneva, Switzerland,
- 7 His Highness succeeded his grandfather, Aga Khan III, in 1957 as the
- 8 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Ismaili Muslims, assuming the
- 9 sacred duty of guiding the Ismaili community in matters of faith and
- 10 leading global humanitarian efforts; and
- 11 WHEREAS, A direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace
- 12 be upon him and his family) through his daughter Hazrat Bibi Fatima
- 13 and his cousin and son-in-law Hazrat Ali, His Highness devoted his
- 14 life to the principles of compassion, service, and the pursuit of
- 15 knowledge; and
- WHEREAS, His Highness was a visionary leader whose commitment
- 17 to social development and humanitarianism was realized through the
- 18 Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), which has provided critical
- 19 resources in healthcare, education, economic development, and
- 20 cultural preservation to communities in more than 30 countries; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Under his leadership, AKDN built hospitals,
- 22 universities, schools, and economic development programs that
- 23 improved the quality of life for millions, regardless of faith or
- 24 nationality; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, A champion of pluralism and interfaith dialogue, His
- 2 Highness worked to bridge divides and promote mutual understanding,
- 3 earning numerous international honors; and
- WHEREAS, His Highness Shah Karim Al-Hussaini, Aga Khan IV,
- 5 passed away on February 4, 2025, in Lisbon, Portugal, leaving
- 6 behind a profound legacy that will continue to inspire future
- 7 generations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The State of Texas recognizes the extraordinary
- 9 contributions of His Highness in strengthening communities,
- 10 advancing humanitarian causes, and uplifting people through
- 11 education and economic empowerment, including within Texas, where
- 12 the Ismaili Muslim community has flourished under his guidance;
- 13 now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of His Highness Shah
- 16 Karim Al-Hussaini, Aga Khan IV, and extend deepest condolences to
- 17 his family, to the global Ismaili community, and to all those
- 18 mourning his passing; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of His
- 22 Highness Shah Karim Al-Hussaini, Aga Khan IV.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 182 was adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 5, 2025.

Chief Clerk of the House