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R E S O L U T I O N

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

16 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

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

4 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

14 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.