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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Nowruz is being observed by many Texans and a  
2 variety of faith groups, including Muslims, Baha'is, and  
3 Zoroastrians, on March 21, 2025; and

4 WHEREAS, This festival celebrates the first day of spring,  
5 which is observed by many communities, particularly in Central and  
6 South Asia; and

7 WHEREAS, The origin of the celebration can be traced back to  
8 ancient Persia, and the observance marks the first day of the  
9 Persian solar year; and

10 WHEREAS, Nowruz commemorates a centuries-old agrarian custom  
11 that over time was integrated into various cultures and faith  
12 groups; and

13 WHEREAS, Nowruz is traditionally celebrated by the recital of  
14 devotional poetry, prayers, and the distribution of dried fruits,  
15 nuts, and grains to symbolize the abundance of sustenance; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Nowruz is celebrated in different ways by  
17 some 300 million people around the world, and it traditionally  
18 commences with a spring cleaning of the home; and

19 WHEREAS, The moment that the sun crosses the celestial  
20 equator, referred to as Saal Tahvil, or "the turning point of the  
21 year," families gather together around the Haft Seen table to  
22 exchange gifts, offer prayers, and wish one another a Happy Nowruz;  
23 now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate Nowruz 2025 and extend to all those  
2 participating in the celebration sincere best wishes for a joyous  
3 and memorable event.