

1-1 By: Leo-Wilson (Senate Sponsor - Hall) H.C.R. No. 29  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2023;  
1-3 May 12, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Administration; May 19, 2023, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 1, one present not voting; May 19, 2023, sent to  
1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11			X	
1-12		X		
1-13				X
1-14	X			
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1-16 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-17 WHEREAS, The United States was established on principles of  
1-18 religious freedom, and our founding fathers looked to their faith  
1-19 for blessings and guidance as they worked to build an independent  
1-20 nation with liberty and justice for all; and

1-21 WHEREAS, Millions of Americans are adherents of  
1-22 Christianity, and that religious heritage has played a significant  
1-23 role throughout our country's history; this influence is documented  
1-24 in government records, including colonial charters, early laws,  
1-25 original state constitutions, and hundreds of state and federal  
1-26 court cases; and

1-27 WHEREAS, Through the centuries, a host of major American  
1-28 historical figures have relied on Christian traditions, tenets, and  
1-29 values to guide their actions and have stressed the importance of  
1-30 those principles when addressing their fellow citizens; such  
1-31 individuals as George Washington, Abigail and John Adams, James  
1-32 Madison, Abraham Lincoln, Harry S. Truman, and Dwight D. Eisenhower  
1-33 drew strength from their Christian beliefs, and these prominent men  
1-34 and women, like countless other Americans, did not hesitate to  
1-35 express their faith; and

1-36 WHEREAS, Public officials across the country, at all levels,  
1-37 have acknowledged this meaningful influence through the observance  
1-38 of Christian Heritage Week; the occasion serves to highlight the  
1-39 immeasurable impact of Christianity on our nation, from the  
1-40 fellowship and good works offered by local churches to the respite  
1-41 from life's ordinary travails afforded by religious holidays and  
1-42 rituals; the continued vitality of this faith tradition is  
1-43 evidenced by the ongoing proliferation of Christian houses of  
1-44 worship, charities, ministries, missions, and schools; and

1-45 WHEREAS, The celebration of Christian Heritage Week provides  
1-46 opportunities for adherents of the religion to more deeply examine  
1-47 its vital role in society and for people of all faiths to learn more  
1-48 about the rich fabric of our nation's history; now, therefore, be it

1-49 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas  
1-50 hereby designate the second to last week in April as Texas Christian  
1-51 Heritage Week; and, be it further

1-52 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section  
1-53 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in effect  
1-54 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally  
1-55 passed by the legislature.

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