

House Resolution 1646

By: Representative Marin of the 96<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 23, 2014, as Pakistani American Day at the state capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Republic of Pakistan proclaimed its independence on August 14, 1947, and  
4 fostered a close relationship with the United States of America; and

5 WHEREAS, Pakistan's history of sovereign independence was a great step forward for the  
6 cause of freedom; the country's history has inspired, supported, and assisted nations around  
7 the world in their pursuit of liberty, justice, and equality; and

8 WHEREAS, with diligence, fortitude, and an enduring belief in the American dream,  
9 Pakistani immigrants have helped to turn emergent areas within the State of Georgia into  
10 thriving and respectable communities, while raising their children to be productive Pakistani  
11 Americans; and

12 WHEREAS, Pakistani Americans have become an integral part of mainstream American  
13 society and have made important contributions as Georgians in the fields of finance,  
14 technology, law, medicine, education, sports, media, the arts, the military, and government,  
15 as well as other areas; and

16 WHEREAS, there remains much to be done to ensure that Pakistani Americans have access  
17 to resources, have a voice in the United States government, and continue to advance in the  
18 political landscape of the United States; and

19 WHEREAS, celebrating Pakistani American Day provides the people of the United States  
20 with an opportunity to recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of Pakistani  
21 Americans, and to appreciate the challenges faced by Pakistani Americans; and

22 WHEREAS, as the Pakistani American community prepares for a new era and creates a new  
23 history, Pakistani Americans must instill in younger generations the proper appreciation for  
24 courage and values of their forefathers, a deep sense of their roots, and pride in their own  
25 cultural heritage so that they may better contribute to the great State of Georgia, rich with  
26 ethnic and cultural diversity.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
28 the members of this body recognize March 23, 2014, as Pakistani American Day at the state  
29 capitol.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Farooq Mughal.