

House Resolution 2147

By: Representatives Borders of the 175<sup>th</sup> and Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Arsha Vijnana Mandiram; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Arsha Vijnana Mandiram is a retreat center to be located in south Georgia to  
3 serve as a place for the Hindu community in that region to congregate for worship, prayers,  
4 and learning; and

5 WHEREAS, Arsha Vijnana Mandiram, which means an abode for the dissemination of  
6 ancient knowledge, will promote the incorporation of the ancient understanding of oneself  
7 as joy in one's day-to-day life and will emphasize aspects of healthy living such as yoga,  
8 organic farming, natural healing, meditation, and participation in community services; and

9 WHEREAS, the center will also work with the Hindu University of America and Valdosta  
10 State University to teach courses for college credit; and

11 WHEREAS, the center's Board of Trustees includes: Chairman Piyush "Pete" Shah, Harish  
12 Alimchandani, Johnny Sadarangani, Dr. Ashok Kumar, and Dr. Sudhi rGoel; and

13 WHEREAS, Arsha Vijnana Mandiram will work with other groups in Valdosta and other  
14 nearby areas and interested communities of people in promoting the holistic living that is  
15 imperative for the stressful modern times in which we live.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the members of this body join in commending the Arsha Vijnana Mandiram and wish it  
18 much success in its endeavors.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Arsha Vijnana  
21 Mandiram and its Board of Trustees.