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House Resolution

A resolution designating December 2022 as "Muslim Heritage Month" in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, Islamic tradition recognizes December as the month in which the Quran was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad Ibn Abdulla, and

WHEREAS, people of diverse races and backgrounds practice the Islamic faith, including many of the enslaved people brought to America from Africa, and

WHEREAS, Islam is the third largest religion in the United States after Christianity and Judaism, with an estimated 3.5 million followers, with Florida having the seventh largest Muslim population in the country, and

WHEREAS, Muslims have contributed to the advancement of human civilization in the fields of science, astronomy, medicine, mathematics, law, and more, and

WHEREAS, harassment, assault, and discrimination against Muslims increased in the wake of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and

WHEREAS, many prominent Muslims, such as Nobel Peace Prize recipients Tawakel Karman and Malala Yousafzai, have promoted peace and understanding between all faiths, identities, and nationalities while upholding the values and principles that define the American people, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
Florida:

That December 2022 is designated as "Muslim Heritage Month"  
in the State of Florida to celebrate and promote awareness of  
the invaluable contributions Muslims have made to the state and  
nation.