

Senate of Alabama



MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

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Resolution

CONGRATULATING ALABAMA TURKISH AMERICANS
ON TURKISH AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY AND
THE PEOPLE OF TURKEY ON TURKISH REPUBLIC DAY ON OCTOBER 29

By Senator Waggoner

WHEREAS, it is the United States policy to strengthen United States-Turkish relations through productive diplomatic, political, economic, military, and strategic relations in an increasingly complex and multipolar world; and

WHEREAS, the United States and Turkey share common values of democracy, human rights, diversity, secularity, tolerance, social mobility, free market, active civic life, and community service; and

WHEREAS, Turkey and the State of Alabama have enjoyed long, cordial, and mutually beneficial relations, a friendship that continues to strengthen with each passing year; and

WHEREAS, every year on October 29, Turkey celebrates Republic Day, commemorating the day when Turkey became an independent republic and a western democracy; and

WHEREAS, Turkish Americans enrich the economy and cultural heritage of the State of Alabama with their diversity, including culture, arts, literature, cuisine, music, folkdances, ancient and modern history, tradition of tolerance, and religion; and

WHEREAS, Turkey is the featured country of the Birmingham International Center Spotlight Program, 2010-2011, jointly with the Turkish American Association of Alabama and Assembly of Turkish American Associations; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the Republic of Turkey is herein honored as one of the most important strategic partners of the United States, and the government and the people of Turkey are congratulated for strengthening its democracy and becoming a source of stability and inspiration in its region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That by copy of this resolution for appropriate presentation and display, the celebration of Turkish American Heritage Day in the State of Alabama on October 29, 2011, is recognized and commended.



I hereby certify that the above is a true, correct and accurate copy of Interim Resolution No. 11-257, filed with the Senate of Alabama on July 25, 2011, pursuant to Senate Rule No. 78.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patrick Harris".

Patrick Harris
Secretary of Senate