

House Resolution 1631

By: Representative Marin of the 96th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring March 23, 2016, as Pakistani American Day at the state capitol;
2 and for other 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, as the nation has inspired, supported, and aided other nations around the
7 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 multiple fields including, but
14 not limited to, finance, technology, law, medicine, education, sports, media, the arts, the
15 military, and government; and

16 WHEREAS, there remains much to be done to ensure that Pakistani Americans have access
17 to resources, a voice in the government of the United States, 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 an opportunity to not only recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of Pakistani
21 Americans, but appreciate the challenges faced by them as well; and

22 WHEREAS, as the Pakistani American community prepares for a new era and creates new
23 history, Pakistani Americans must instill in younger generations the proper appreciation for
24 the 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 and honor March 23, 2016, as Pakistani American Day
29 at the state capitol.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 public and the press.