Turkish Republic Day
In Recognition of the 88th Anniversary

LET IT BE KNOWN, That it is a special privilege to join with the Metro Detroit Turkish Community in the celebration of Turkish Republic Day. I encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this day.

Republic Day commemorates the proclamation of the Turkish Republic in 1923. On October 29, in the third year of Parliament, the modern Turkish state was declared a republic, after an amendment to the 1921 Constitution. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, who led the country’s War of Independence, was next selected as the first president by Parliament.

Americans of Turkish descent in Metro Detroit have played a significant role in the educational, cultural, economic and civic development of our community through sharing their rich cultural heritage and through their dedication to the responsibilities of good citizenship.

IN SPECIAL TRIBUTE, Therefore, this document is signed and dedicated to honor the exemplary contribution of Turkish Americans to both Metro Detroit and our great Nation. I urge all citizens to join Metro Detroit’s Turkish community in celebration of activities and observances.

Hansen Clarke
U.S. Congressman-Michigan 13th District
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