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RESOLUTION ON BUILDING AN ASEAN IDENTITY

The Twenty-Ninth General Assembly:

Aware of the central role of a sense of identity and belonging among the peoples of ASEAN in the development of a cohesive ASEAN Community;

Recalling the ASEAN Charter's pledge to promote a common ASEAN identity and a sense of belonging among its peoples in order to achieve its shared destiny, goals and values;

Recognizing the rich and diverse cultures, heritage and history of the ASEAN region; and

Affirming the role of education and cultural exchanges in the promotion of greater inter-cultural, inter-religious and inter-racial understanding;

Resolves to:

Promote an ASEAN identity and awareness among the peoples of Southeast Asia;

Advocate ASEAN-oriented policies at the national level, relating to the Political-Security, Economic and Socio-Cultural pillars of the ASEAN Community;

Cultivate a sense of ASEAN identity among ASEAN's future leaders through national education, socio-cultural, youth and sports policies;

Facilitate people-to-people interactions and exchanges among ASEAN member states, including parliamentary and other exchanges; and

Actively participate in commemorative events on the occasion of ASEAN Day.

