



Islamic Association of North Texas

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Date: February 12, 2026

Subject: 27th Night of Ramadan Excused Absence Request

To Whom it May Concern:

The undernamed employee/student is currently observing Ramadan. Ramadan is the holiest month in the Islamic calendar. Muslims who are physically able to do so are required to abstain from food and drink—including water—and thus fast from before sunrise to sunset.

While the entire month is a time for reflection and worship, the last ten nights of the month are particularly special. In addition to the special night prayers that occur during Ramadan in the mosque, the last ten nights call for additional worship, with night prayers extending to around 2 or 3 AM.

The most important of these last ten nights is the 27th of Ramadan. This year, that night falls on **Sunday, March 15, 2026**, lasting until sunrise the morning of **Monday, March 16, 2026**.

Therefore, pursuant to Texas EDUC § 51.911 and 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, we ask that you allow the undernamed employee/student to be excused from work/school on **Monday, March 16, 2026**, as a religious excused absence, so that the employee/student may be with family and community and attend the prayer services the night of **Sunday, March 15, 2026**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our mosque at **972-231-5698** or email us at staff@iant.com.

Employee/Student Name: _____

With gratitude,

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Vice President
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