

1-1 By: Cook (Senate Sponsor - Birdwell) H.C.R. No. 45  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2023;  
1-3 May 2, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Administration; May 16, 2023, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 16, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			

1-15 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, Almost a century ago, the City of Mansfield was the  
1-17 birthplace of Best Maid Products, and the company's subsequent  
1-18 success as a manufacturer of pickles has inspired area residents to  
1-19 make the vinegary vegetable the centerpiece of a beloved annual  
1-20 celebration; and

1-21 WHEREAS, Best Maid pickles originated in the kitchen of  
1-22 Mildred and Jessie Otis Dalton, who lived in a small stone house in  
1-23 Mansfield; Mrs. Dalton's homemade pies, mayonnaise, sandwich  
1-24 spread, and pickles were popular with the customers in her  
1-25 husband's grocery, and in 1926, they founded the Best Maid company;  
1-26 the brand went on to be enormously successful, and today it is best  
1-27 known for its pickles and dressings; it processes 50 to 60 million  
1-28 pounds of cucumbers every year and sells 100 different items under  
1-29 the Best Maid and Del-Dixi brands; and

1-30 WHEREAS, Since 2012, Mansfield has celebrated its fame as the  
1-31 birthplace of this pickle empire by staging the World's Only  
1-32 St. Paddy's Pickle Parade and Palooza every March, to coincide with  
1-33 St. Patrick's Day; this festive event has grown to attract tens of  
1-34 thousands of visitors each year, and it features a parade, retail  
1-35 and food vendors, musical performances, and three fun runs, as well  
1-36 as pickle-eating and pickle-juice-drinking competitions; and

1-37 WHEREAS, The Pickle Parade and Palooza highlights the  
1-38 community's hometown pride and its healthy sense of fun, and the  
1-39 citizens of Mansfield may indeed savor their association with this  
1-40 iconic Texas treasure; now, therefore, be it

1-41 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas  
1-42 hereby redesignate Mansfield as the official Pickle Capital of  
1-43 Texas; and, be it further

1-44 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section  
1-45 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect  
1-46 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally  
1-47 passed by the legislature.

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