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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Tom Perini, owner of Perini's Ranch Steakhouse in  
2 Buffalo Gap, Texas, has established himself as a renowned authority  
3 on "Cowboy Cooking" across the great state of Texas, throughout the  
4 nation, and internationally; and

5           WHEREAS, Perini's Ranch Steakhouse is celebrating its  
6 Twentieth Anniversary on Saturday, August 2, 2003, in Buffalo Gap,  
7 twelve miles south of Abilene, with a big anniversary party with  
8 friends and neighbors; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Perini was inspired to become a restaurateur  
10 and chuck wagon cook after growing up on the ranch which his late  
11 father and mother, Abilene geologist and oilman V.C. Perini and  
12 community leader Maxine Perini, purchased early in their marriage;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, Tom has served as chef for heads of state - American,  
15 Chinese, and Russian - as well as governors, legislators,  
16 congressmen, movie stars, and tourists who make their way to  
17 Buffalo Gap for his mesquite-grilled steaks, tenderloins, prime  
18 ribs, and especially his award-winning whiskey sauce bread pudding;  
19 and

20           WHEREAS, Tom and his lovely wife, Lisa, have prepared their  
21 delicious, award-winning Texas fare in our country's finest  
22 kitchens and ranch events from Maine to California; and

23           WHEREAS, Tom Perini wrote and published a phenomenally  
24 successful cookbook entitled "Texas Country Cooking" in the year

1 2000 which sold 25,000 copies, as well as a secondary printing of  
2 10,000 copies which sold out immediately and yet a third printing of  
3 15,000 which are almost gone with a fourth printing expected; and

4 WHEREAS, Tom Perini, daughter Caroline Perini - the  
5 restaurant manager, daughter Jessica Perini - a Wylie High School  
6 student, and his wife Lisa Perini - who manages the mail order and  
7 local catering business of the steakhouse, enjoy the friendship of  
8 thousands of good folks across the nation and throughout the world;  
9 now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Texas House of Representatives, convened  
11 in a special session of the Legislature at this time, hereby  
12 congratulates Tom and Lisa Perini and their family wishing them all  
13 the best in the years ahead on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary  
14 of the Perini's Ranch Steakhouse in Buffalo Gap, Texas, on  
15 Saturday, August 2, 2003; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Mr. Tom Perini as an expression of high regard by the  
18 Texas House of Representatives.