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H.R. No. 1307

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot diminish the pain of a young life ended
2 too soon, and it is with great sadness that we join the family and
3 friends of Philip Abraham Mahl in mourning his passing on February
4 24, 2007, at the age of 26; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on December 5, 1980, in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon,
6 Mexico, Philip Mahl moved to Del Rio with his family in 1983; he
7 attended the Little Schoolhouse, North Heights Elementary School,
8 and was a member of the Del Rio High School Class of 1999; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Mahl, a multicultural Texan fluent in Spanish,
10 English, and French, lived in Costa Rica for a year as a participant
11 in Rotary International's Youth Exchange Program; returning home in
12 the summer of 2000, he served as a legislative page with the Texas
13 House of Representatives; and

14 WHEREAS, Philip Mahl established an impressive career in the
15 culinary arts that began in Austin, with his affiliation with Siena
16 Ristorante Toscano; in 2001, he traveled to Lyon, France, to attend
17 L'Institut Paul Bocuse, Hôtellerie et Arts Culinaires, graduating
18 in 2003 with a degree in culinary arts and restaurant management;
19 that same year, he was part of the Bocuse d'Or, an international
20 culinary competition in which he assisted the USA team; this
21 talented, high-energy individual earned respect for his work in
22 historic, prestigious kitchens both at home and abroad, including
23 restaurants located in Paris and Vienne, France; Boston,
24 Massachusetts; McLean, Virginia; and New York City and East

1 Hampton, New York; and

2 WHEREAS, Although deeply saddened by his death, his loved
3 ones may take some comfort in the many happy times spent in his
4 company and treasure their memories of this accomplished young man;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Philip Abraham Mahl
8 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
9 mother, Ramona Mahl; to his father, Jeffrey Steven Mahl; to his
10 sisters, Tula Quetzal Mahl and Ethiopia Seyfu Sisay; to his
11 maternal grandmother, Ma del Socorro Mancha Molinar; to his
12 paternal grandfather, Charles Zingman; and to his other relatives
13 and many friends; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Philip
17 Abraham Mahl.