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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas enjoys a far-reaching reputation
- 2 for its diverse and distinctive foods and for its many highly
- 3 regarded restaurants; and
- 4 WHEREAS, While exceptional eateries can be found throughout
- 5 the state, certain communities stand apart for offering a
- 6 concentration of popular and unique restaurants; of these, the city
- 7 of Roanoke is deserving of particular recognition for being an
- 8 immensely popular dining destination; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Roanoke is of modest size, with a population of
- 10 6,450, yet its lineup of notable restaurants attracts patrons from
- 11 throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex as well as from other
- 12 parts of the state; this charming city includes 39 eating
- 13 establishments, and they combine to make Roanoke a diner's delight;
- 14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, Oak Street in downtown Roanoke is a compelling
- 16 destination for patrons, and the many vintage buildings in this
- 17 attractive district have earned it a spot on the National Register
- 18 of Historic Places; moreover, the downtown businesses present a
- 19 great variety of cuisines and dining experiences, ranging from
- 20 four-star gourmet food to Mexican specialties; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Not far away, more thriving restaurants are found
- 22 along Highway 377/Front Street, and other areas of Roanoke also
- 23 uphold the city's tradition of good eating; these include the Byron
- 24 Nelson Parkway/Business 114 thoroughfare and the intersection of

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- 1 Highways 377 and 114; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The individuality and outstanding quality of
- 3 Roanoke's dining spots have earned this historic community the
- 4 admiration of numerous culinary enthusiasts and have made it a
- 5 favorite place to visit, and the city's flourishing restaurant
- 6 scene is a testament to the eclectic and delicious epicurean
- 7 offerings of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
- 9 hereby designate Roanoke as the Unique Dining Capital of Texas.