

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Locally owned restaurants play a vital role in the
2 life of a community, and for 57 years, Gordo's Restaurant has been a
3 popular gathering place in the Highland Park neighborhood of
4 Dallas; and

5 WHEREAS, Pearl Harbor survivor Gordon West opened his
6 pizzeria near Southern Methodist University's Ownby Stadium in
7 1952, and his specialty, round pizza cut into squares, soon became a
8 favorite with college sports fans; several SMU alumni purchased the
9 business in 1962 and relocated it to the Knox and Henderson area,
10 where Gordo's became one of the first sports bars in Dallas; and

11 WHEREAS, Current owners George Bakhshmandi and Hossein
12 Nikrooh took over the restaurant in 1976, expanding the menu to
13 include both Italian and American dishes and providing live musical
14 entertainment; now located near Highland Park High School's
15 Highlander Stadium, the restaurant continues to delight four
16 generations of patrons; and

17 WHEREAS, For nearly six decades, Gordo's Restaurant has been
18 a lively and welcoming meeting place for residents of Dallas in
19 search of good times and good food, and the continuing hard work,
20 dedication, and community spirit of Mr. Bakhshmandi and Mr. Nikrooh
21 merit special recognition; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
23 Legislature hereby honor the contribution that Gordo's Restaurant
24 has made to its community and extend to the restaurant's owners and

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1 staff sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for Gordo's Restaurant as an expression of high regard by
4 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1169 was adopted by the House on April 7, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House