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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.