

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The tradition of family-owned and -operated  
2 businesses is strong in the Lone Star State, and The New York Store  
3 of Hebronville is contributing to that proud heritage by  
4 celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in 2009; and

5           WHEREAS, Established in 1909 by Sixto Garcia, The New York  
6 Store served as a much-needed general store for Hebronville and  
7 Jim Hogg County on its opening, providing its customers with a wide  
8 variety of merchandise, including groceries, hardware, and  
9 agricultural supplies and equipment; and

10           WHEREAS, The store likewise aided the community by allowing  
11 area citizens to purchase items on credit and offering wholesale  
12 prices to ranchers and farmers buying in large quantities; the  
13 store was a welcome addition to the town, offering customers  
14 safeguards for their wagons and a resting place for their horses;  
15 and

16           WHEREAS, Today, The New York Store continues to thrive by  
17 stocking a variety of western wear, specializing in clothing and  
18 accessories that preserve the vaquero tradition; for the past 15  
19 years, the store has been owned and operated by Mr. Garcia's  
20 granddaughter, Marguerita Ellison, who took over the business in  
21 1994 from her parents, Blas and Herlinda Salinas; and

22           WHEREAS, By carrying on her family's tradition of serving the  
23 community, Mrs. Ellison has ensured that The New York Store  
24 continues to contribute to the cultural and economic life of Jim

1 Hogg County, while preserving a vital part of the town's rich  
2 history; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
4 Legislature hereby commemorate the centennial of The New York Store  
5 in Hebronville and extend to Marguerita Ellison and her staff  
6 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it  
7 further

8       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for the store as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
10 House of Representatives.

Rios Ybarra

H.R. No. 2476

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2476 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House