

1-1 By: Parker (Senate Sponsor - Nelson) H.C.R. No. 117
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 13, 2011;
1-3 May 13, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Administration; May 20, 2011, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 20, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-7 WHEREAS, The State of Texas enjoys a far-reaching reputation
1-8 for its diverse and distinctive foods and for its many highly
1-9 regarded restaurants; and

1-10 WHEREAS, While exceptional eateries can be found throughout
1-11 the state, certain communities stand apart for offering a
1-12 concentration of popular and unique restaurants; of these, the city
1-13 of Roanoke is deserving of particular recognition for being an
1-14 immensely popular dining destination; and

1-15 WHEREAS, Roanoke is of modest size, with a population of
1-16 6,000, yet its lineup of notable restaurants attracts patrons from
1-17 throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex as well as from other
1-18 parts of the state; this charming city includes more than 40 eating
1-19 establishments, and they combine to make Roanoke a diner's delight;
1-20 and

1-21 WHEREAS, Oak Street in downtown Roanoke is a compelling
1-22 destination for patrons, and the many vintage buildings in this
1-23 attractive district have earned it a spot on the National Register
1-24 of Historic Places; moreover, the downtown businesses present a
1-25 great variety of cuisines and dining experiences, ranging from
1-26 four-star gourmet food to Mexican specialties; and

1-27 WHEREAS, Not far away, more thriving restaurants are found
1-28 along Highway 377/Front Street, and other areas of Roanoke also
1-29 uphold the city's tradition of good eating; these include the Byron
1-30 Nelson Parkway/Business 114 thoroughfare and the intersection of
1-31 Highways 377 and 114; and

1-32 WHEREAS, The individuality and outstanding quality of
1-33 Roanoke's dining spots have earned this historic community the
1-34 admiration of numerous culinary enthusiasts and have made it a
1-35 favorite place to visit, and the city's flourishing restaurant
1-36 scene is a testament to the eclectic and delicious epicurean
1-37 offerings of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

1-38 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas
1-39 hereby designate Roanoke as the Unique Dining Capital of Texas.

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