

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Tom Perini has served
2 distinctively Texan food at the Perini Ranch Steakhouse in Buffalo
3 Gap, earning a wide circle of fans from across the Lone Star State
4 and beyond; and

5 WHEREAS, After taking over his family's ranch in 1965, Mr.
6 Perini soon became known among his fellow cattlemen as an expert
7 open-range cook, and in 1973, he began a successful catering
8 business; he opened the Perini Ranch Steakhouse in a former hay barn
9 10 years later, and it has since become a popular destination for
10 chuck wagon style cuisine; the restaurant specializes in simply
11 prepared steaks cooked over very hot mesquite coals, but is also
12 known for its side dishes and desserts; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Perini has been invited to cook at the James
14 Beard House in New York, and he has prepared meals at the Texas
15 Governor's Mansion and the White House; he has appeared on NBC's
16 *Today Show*, CBS's *The Early Show*, and *Fox and Friends*, and he has
17 traveled as far afield as Moscow, St. Petersburg, and Warsaw to
18 introduce Texas cooking on behalf of the United States Meat Export
19 Federation and the Texas Beef Council; and

20 WHEREAS, In 2000, Mr. Perini shared many of his favorite
21 recipes in the cookbook *Texas Cowboy Cooking*, which has gone on to
22 sell more than 100,000 copies; he and his food are regularly praised
23 by the media, with *Saveur* magazine including him on its
24 "Twenty-Four Reasons Why We Love Texas" and *Food Network Magazine*

1 calling his hamburger the best in the state; most recently, he was
2 featured on the cover of *Texas Monthly*, accompanying an article
3 about his fried chicken; and

4 WHEREAS, The proud tradition of cowboy cooking is one of the
5 glories of Texas culture, and Tom Perini has distinguished himself
6 as one of its most expert practitioners; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
8 Legislature hereby commend Tom Perini for his achievements as a
9 chef and restaurateur and extend to him sincere best wishes for
10 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. Perini as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.

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Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
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Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
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Crownover	Kolkhorst	Simpson
Darby	Kuempel	Smith of Harris
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Deshotel	Lavender	Strama
Driver	Legler	Taylor of Collin
Dukes	Lewis	Taylor of Galveston
Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
Eiland	Lucio III	Torres
Eissler	Lyne	Truitt
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Farrar	Margo	Villarreal
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Garza	Menendez	Woolley
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Giddings	Miller of Comal	Zedler
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H.R. No. 1315

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1315 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House