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H.R. No. 117

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family-owned restaurants add charm and diversity to
2 the communities of the Lone Star State, and the Simicia family's
3 Athenian Bar and Grill in Austin is celebrating its first five years
4 on July 22, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Tirana, Albania, owner Anil Simicia
6 moved to Louisiana in 1997, and five years later, he came to Texas;
7 he started Zorba Greek Restaurant in Round Rock in 2002, and in 2004
8 he brought the tastes of the Mediterranean to downtown Austin when
9 he opened the Athenian Grill on Seventh Street; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Simicia relocated his business to Sixth Street
11 in 2008; now known as the Athenian Bar and Grill, the larger
12 restaurant features such traditional Greek classics as dolmades,
13 tzatziki, and gyro sandwiches, as well as other popular
14 Mediterranean fare; and

15 WHEREAS, For five years, Anil and his wife, Gledis, have been
16 delighting Austin's diners with the joys of Greek cuisine, and they
17 may indeed take great pride in their contribution to the Austin
18 culinary community; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
20 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commemorate the fifth
21 anniversary of the Athenian Bar and Grill and extend sincere best
22 wishes to Anil and Gledis Simicia and their staff for continued
23 success; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Simicia as an expression of high regard by
2 the Texas House of Representatives.