

By: Smith

H.C.R. No. 36

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The art of making pies from scratch is a beloved  
2 tradition that has stood the test of time for generations of  
3 families in Texas and beyond; and

4 WHEREAS, Historians believe that pie originated with the  
5 ancient Greeks, who developed the first pastry shell; later, the  
6 Romans published the world's first pie recipe, which included  
7 rye-crusts goat cheese and honey, though fillings also included  
8 savory ingredients like meat and seafood; the English brought  
9 mincemeat pies with them as they crossed the ocean to America and  
10 the colonists continued the tradition, using dried fruit, cinnamon,  
11 and nutmeg to season the filling; and

12 WHEREAS, In Texas, bakers often incorporate local produce  
13 into their pies, from peaches grown in Central Texas to sweet  
14 potatoes grown in the northeastern part of our state; the pecan, the  
15 fruit of the state tree, continues to be one of the most well-known  
16 native ingredients; and

17 WHEREAS, For generations, families have come together to  
18 create and enjoy the fruits of their labor--an exceptionally  
19 American dish, with a special place in our shared culture; by taking  
20 the time to bake pies from scratch, older and younger Texans bridge  
21 the years between them to create new memories and culinary delights  
22 in kitchens across the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas  
24 hereby designate February 16 as Texas Homemade Pie Day; and, be it

1 further

2           RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section  
3 391.004(d), Government Code, the designation remains in effect  
4 until the 10th anniversary of the date the resolution is passed.