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H.R. No. 191

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Robert Wayne Michna of Lorena on January 4, 2013, at the
3 age of 68; and

4 WHEREAS, Bob Michna spent 55 years in the barbecue business,
5 working first at Rudy Mikeska's in Taylor and then at Clem Mikeska's
6 in Temple before opening his own barbecue restaurant in Waco in
7 1987; on a number of occasions, he was called to Washington, D.C.,
8 to prepare food for members of Congress, and he once had the honor
9 of cooking for President Gerald Ford when he visited Temple; over
10 the years, Mr. Michna collected myriad prizes at barbecue
11 competitions, but he counted the first-place award he received for
12 his mother's sauce recipe as the pinnacle of his cook-off success;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, While building a highly regarded reputation as a
15 barbecue master, Mr. Michna also gave freely of his time and
16 energies in behalf of his community; he sponsored youth teams in
17 sports ranging from baseball and softball to football, basketball,
18 and soccer for nearly 30 years, and he was a staunch champion of the
19 McLennan County Junior Livestock Show from 1987 to his passing; in
20 addition, Mr. Michna supported the Heart of Texas Scholarship
21 committee and various other school-related groups; he was a valued
22 member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, and
23 the Northwest Optimist Club, and he also belonged to the Texas Farm
24 Bureau; he was made an honorary member of the 124th Calvary Regiment

1 Spurs in recognition of his continued support of our troops; and

2 WHEREAS, Bob Michna was the devoted husband of Sandra Michna,
3 his wife of 45 years, and the proud father of three children; and

4 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan achieved a life that was rich in
5 family, friends, and accomplishments, and those who were privileged
6 to share in his love and friendship will forever hold him close in
7 their hearts; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Robert Wayne Michna
10 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
11 wife, Sandra Michna; to his children, Tammy Talasek and her
12 husband, Greg, Robert Michna, Jr., and his wife, Kim, and Billy
13 Michna and his wife, Diane Degrade-Michna; to his grandchildren,
14 Justin and Brittany Talasek, Kimberly Olsen and her husband,
15 Garrett, and Lane, Cade, and Reed Michna; to his
16 great-grandchildren, Madison Mayfield and Luke Olsen; to his
17 siblings, Judy Motyka and her husband, Tom, Larry Michna and his
18 wife, Kathy, Tony Michna, and Jimmy Michna and his wife, Denise; to
19 his sister-in-law, Irene Michna; and to his many other relatives
20 and friends; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Robert
24 Wayne Michna.