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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Aunt Aggie De's Pralines of Sinton has been selected
- 2 as the 2013 Official Best Gourmet Pralines and Pecan Candy in Texas
- 3 by the Official Best Of television show and website; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Official Best Of highlights places to visit in
- 5 locations across the nation, based on the results of public
- 6 nominations; after each nominee is thoroughly researched, the list
- 7 is narrowed down to the one that is widely considered the best for
- 8 that category; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Founded in 1987 by Eleanor Harren, Aunt Aggie De's
- 10 Pralines specializes in the original creamy praline of its
- 11 namesake, whose recipe Ms. Harren used for years as a caterer
- 12 before opening her store; over the years, she has expanded to offer
- 13 both chewy and chocolate pralines in addition to other candies,
- 14 including pecan brittle and butter pecan toffee; pralines remain
- 15 her customers' favorite, though, with more than two million sold
- 16 each year; and
- WHEREAS, Aunt Aggie De's Pralines does a thriving business by
- 18 mail order as well as at its shop in Sinton, which is known for the
- 19 giant squirrel sculpture at its entrance; the company and its
- 20 products have been written about in many newspapers and magazines,
- 21 including the Washington Post, Southern Lady, and Southern Living,
- 22 and its pralines were a featured item at the 2012 Sundance Film
- 23 Festival in Park City, Utah; and
- 24 WHEREAS, This latest recognition of an independent Texas

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- 1 business by a national media outlet is a source of great pride for
- 2 the Lone Star State, and it is a pleasure to honor Eleanor Harren
- 3 and her employees for their outstanding commitment to excellence;
- 4 now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate Aunt Aggie De's Pralines on being
- 7 named the 2013 Official Best Gourmet Pralines and Pecan Candy in
- 8 Texas by the Official Best Of TV show and website and extend to
- 9 Ms. Harren and her staff sincere best wishes for continued success;
- 10 and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for Aunt Aggie De's Pralines as an expression of high
- 13 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.