

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In 2013, the 83rd Texas Legislature designated
2 February 16 as Texas Homemade Pie Day, celebrating the tradition,
3 beloved by generations of families across our state, of making pies
4 from scratch; and

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

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

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

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate Texas Homemade Pie Day on February
2 16, 2017, and urge Texans to celebrate this sweet occasion by baking
3 a pie and sharing it with their friends and loved ones.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 374 was adopted by the House on
February 16, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House