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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Locally owned and operated restaurants add to the
2 diversity and flavor of Texas communities, and for more than three
3 decades, Mr. and Mrs. G's Home Cooking and Pastries has been a
4 popular destination for soul food lovers in San Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, The restaurant's founders, William and Addie
6 Garner, met and married in San Antonio in the 1980s; Mrs. Garner
7 suggested they start a restaurant, and in July 1990, they opened
8 Mr. and Mrs. G's Home Cooking; at the start, the couple prepared
9 all the fare themselves; Mr. Garner's recipes for the main dishes
10 paid tribute to the Southern-style cuisine he grew up with in
11 Alabama, while Mrs. Garner specialized in creating her popular
12 pastries; the restaurant quickly became a citywide institution,
13 with a menu that includes a wide range of soul food favorites; and

14 WHEREAS, The Garners themselves were part of the restaurant's
15 attraction, with Mrs. Garner often dropping by each table to greet
16 customers, and Mr. Garner handing out candy to children at the cash
17 register; over the years, the establishment has won multiple
18 Readers' Choice awards from the *San Antonio Express-News*, and it
19 has been featured on local news broadcasts, as well as in national
20 publications such as *USA Today* and *Business Journal*; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Garner passed away in 2017, and Mr. Garner died
22 in March 2021, but the tradition of warm hospitality and comfort
23 food they initiated remains as strong as ever as the restaurant
24 continues to be a welcoming destination for its customers; and

1 WHEREAS, Since its inception, Mr. and Mrs. G's Home Cooking
2 and Pastries has become a mainstay within the San Antonio
3 community, and its longevity is a testament to the exemplary
4 service and dedication of the restaurant's founders, as well as the
5 members of its staff, both past and present; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Mr. and Mrs. G's Home Cooking and
8 Pastries and extend to all those associated with the restaurant
9 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. G's Home Cooking and Pastries as an
12 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.