

By: Hughes

S.C.R. No. 36

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The one-of-a-kind sweets shops found in downtown Mineola have made the city a popular destination for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, Mineola's downtown has grown into a popular shopping and dining area that epitomizes the town's abundant charm; home to unique stores, famous restaurants, and historic buildings, it is also renowned for the tasty treats made in house by several local merchants; and

WHEREAS, The community's world-class sweets shops include Grandma Cleda's Gourmet Candy & Gifts, the Mineola Fudge Shop at Between Friends, Bryan's Cheesecakes, FarmHouse Fried Pies, and Sugarbakers of Mineola; between them, these establishments offer a range of pies, cakes, cookies, fudge, lemon bars, ice cream, milkshakes, malts, and peanut and pecan brittles; in addition to gaining a faithful following in the local area, Mineola's sweets shops have been featured on television, in magazines, and in online media, and some of the businesses ship their products nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Mineola has long been renowned for special celebrations and was designated as the City of Festivals by the 72nd Texas Legislature in 1991; while such events as the May Fiesta and the Iron Horse Heritage Festival remain beloved annual traditions, the city's stature as an epicenter for sweets stores has become an

1 increasingly prominent draw in recent years; and

2 WHEREAS, The unique and delectable sweets sold in downtown
3 Mineola have made the city a favorite among dessert lovers, and the
4 town's bountiful selection of sugary delights plays an important
5 role in the culture and sense of community shared by its citizens;
6 now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
8 hereby designate Mineola as the official Sweets Capital of Texas,
9 replacing the city's previous designation as the City of Festivals;
10 and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
12 [391.003](#)(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
13 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
14 passed by the legislature.