By: Hughes S.C.R. No. 36

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The one-of-a-kind sweets shops found in downtown

Mineola have made the city a popular destination for residents and

3 visitors alike; and

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WHEREAS, Mineola's downtown has grown into a popular shopping

and dining area that epitomizes the town's abundant charm; home to

6 unique stores, famous restaurants, and historic buildings, it is

7 also renowned for the tasty treats made in house by several local

8 merchants; and

9 WHEREAS, The community's world-class sweets shops include

10 Grandma Cleda's Gourmet Candy & Gifts, the Mineola Fudge Shop at

11 Between Friends, Bryan's Cheesecakes, FarmHouse Fried Pies, and

12 Sugarbakers of Mineola; between them, these establishments offer a

13 range of pies, cakes, cookies, fudge, lemon bars, ice cream,

14 milkshakes, malts, and peanut and pecan brittles; in addition to

15 gaining a faithful following in the local area, Mineola's sweets

16 shops have been featured on television, in magazines, and in online

17 media, and some of the businesses ship their products nationwide;

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19 WHEREAS, Mineola has long been renowned for special

20 celebrations and was designated as the City of Festivals by the 72nd

21 Texas Legislature in 1991; while such events as the May Fiesta and

22 the Iron Horse Heritage Festival remain beloved annual traditions,

23 the city's stature as an epicenter for sweets stores has become an

24 increasingly prominent draw in recent years; and

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1 WHEREAS, The unique and delectable sweets sold in downtown Mineola have made the city a favorite among dessert lovers, and the 2 town's bountiful selection of sugary delights plays an important role in the culture and sense of community shared by its citizens; 5 now, therefore, be it 6 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas 7 hereby designate Mineola as the official Sweets Capital of Texas, replacing the city's previous designation as the City of Festivals; and, be it further 9 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect 11 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally 12

passed by the legislature.

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