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S.R. No. 43

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Austin lost a beloved resident with the
2 passing of Texas Chili Parlor owner Scott Zublin on June 7, 2025, at
3 the age of 67; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Austin on May 20, 1958, Scott Zublin was the
5 son of Edward and Ann Zublin; he traveled the world during his
6 23-year career in the oil industry, distinguishing himself through
7 his work with Baker Hughes and as the recipient of an Oil Rigger of
8 the Year award; and

9 WHEREAS, At home in Austin, Mr. Zublin was a loyal customer
10 of the Texas Chili Parlor, and in 2002, he bought the iconic
11 restaurant, located near the State Capitol on Lavaca Street;
12 "Zoob," as he was affectionately known, proved himself a skilled
13 owner, paying off the historic eatery's debt and curating the
14 relaxed vibe of the establishment, which since 1976 has attracted
15 politicians, actors, writers, musicians, and other celebrity
16 figures; the restaurant was featured in director Quentin
17 Tarantino's 2007 movie *Death Proof*, earning a film credit for
18 Mr. Zublin; he also appeared on *The Texas Bucket List* show, and in
19 2018, the parlor drew praise on the Food Network series *The Grill*
20 *Dads*; and

21 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Zublin benefited from the
22 love and support of his family, which included his siblings and a
23 host of nieces and nephews; moreover, he adored his beloved dog,
24 Petey; he collected motor vehicles, and he loved riding his

1 Harley-Davidson motorcycle on annual trips to Sturgis, South
2 Dakota; further, he was an avid sports fan, especially of teams
3 competing for The University of Texas at Austin; and

4 WHEREAS, Scott Zublin earned the admiration of all who knew
5 him, not only for his success as a restaurateur but also for his
6 generous spirit and joyous zest for life, and he leaves behind a
7 legacy that will resonate for years to come; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st
9 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Scott Zublin and
10 extend deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his
11 siblings and their spouses, Catherine Zublin and Edward Spangler,
12 David and Donna Zublin, and Jeanne Marie and W. Mark Dicks; to his
13 nephews and nieces and their spouses, Noah and Janice Spangler,
14 Ethan and Morgan Spangler, Dylan and Nicole Zublin, Jessica and
15 David Lewis, Kristen and Talia Zublin, and W. Austin and Allison
16 Dicks; to his great-nephews and great-nieces, Walter, Ethan, Emma,
17 and Luke Zublin, Olivia, Elijah, and Hannah Spangler, and George
18 and Edward Lewis; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
22 day, it do so in memory of Scott Zublin.