

1-1 By: Fraser S.C.R. No. 31
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2015; March 23, 2015, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Administration;
 1-4 April 14, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 14, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Hancock	X			
1-8 Uresti			X	
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Eltife			X	
1-11 Huffines	X			
1-12 Schwertner			X	
1-13 West	X			

1-15 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, For more than a decade, the City of Hico has
 1-17 celebrated the annual Texas Steak Cookoff, which has become a
 1-18 culturally and economically significant regional event; and

1-19 WHEREAS, The popular festival has grown from hosting 15
 1-20 cookers in 2004 to over 100 cookers in 2014; the event in 2014 also
 1-21 included 15 wineries, 70 vendors, and more than 6,500 guests; the
 1-22 impressive growth of Hico's Texas Steak Cookoff prompted coverage
 1-23 of the festival by Food Network; and

1-24 WHEREAS, The Hico Economic Development Corporation manages
 1-25 the Texas Steak Cookoff; proceeds from the event allow the
 1-26 corporation to support organizations such as the Hico Civic Club,
 1-27 which focuses on bettering the quality of life in the Hico
 1-28 community, and the Memorial Scholarship Foundation, which provides
 1-29 scholarships to Hico High School graduates; local businesses also
 1-30 benefit from the festival weekend through a boost in retail sales;
 1-31 and

1-32 WHEREAS, The designation of the City of Hico as the Steak
 1-33 Capital of Texas would honor the city's efforts in establishing and
 1-34 annually hosting the Texas Steak Cookoff, a unique festival that
 1-35 reflects the importance of the beef industry to this state's
 1-36 economy; now, therefore, be it

1-37 RESOLVED, That the 84th Legislature of the State of Texas
 1-38 hereby designate Hico as the official Steak Capital of Texas; and,
 1-39 be it further

1-40 RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section
 1-41 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
 1-42 until the 10th anniversary of its designation.

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