



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The State of Texas



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Central Texas BBQ Roundup is taking place in Belton on March 20 and 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, A much-anticipated annual event, the competition is sanctioned by the International Barbecue Cookers Association as one of the organization's state championship cook-offs; and

WHEREAS, The contest draws accomplished pitmasters from across the Lone Star State who strive to create the tastiest dishes in several different categories; attendees enjoy a fun, family-oriented atmosphere along with great food and spirited competition; and

WHEREAS, Central Texas is widely regarded as the heart of Texas barbecue tradition, where early Czech and German settlers brought their craft of smoking and curing meats, giving rise to a style of barbecue celebrated across the world; the pits of Central Texas have long served as gathering places for families, ranchers, farmers, tradespeople, and travelers, forming a heritage built on community, hospitality, and the pursuit of perfectly smoked meat; today's pitmasters carry forward that legacy, honoring the methods passed down through generations while showcasing the unmistakable flavors that define the region's barbecue; and

WHEREAS, The Central Texas BBQ Roundup is a fitting celebration of the smoked delicacies that are such an integral part of Texas culture, and it promises to be a source of fond memories for all who attend; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2026 Central Texas BBQ Roundup be commemorated and that the organizers and participants be extended sincere best wishes for a fun and successful event.



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