



The State of Texas House of Representatives

H.R. No. 705

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The city of Elgin has long been regarded as the place to go for mouthwatering, delectable barbecue, and as word of its renowned Elgin sausage has spread far and wide across this great land, citizens from all walks of life have been drawn to this charming Central Texas community to sample what many believe to be the finest sausage made in the United States today; and

WHEREAS, While many have enjoyed visiting the town of Elgin and its many fine barbecue establishments, still others must satisfy their craving for Elgin sausage by purchasing it at one of the 452 outlets where it is sold; Texans whose business and family obligations have taken them far away from the confines of the Lone Star State can also go about their business contentedly, secure in the knowledge that Elgin sausage can be shipped anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS, In any given week, 65,000 pounds of sausage are produced by Elgin's three sausage plants, who together represent 188 years of sausage-producing experience; and

WHEREAS, Meyer's Elgin Sausage was declared the "Best Sausage in the State of Texas" by the judges of the Hallettsville State Sausage Championship in 1993, though most people would have a difficult time choosing a favorite among the 11 tasty varieties produced in Elgin; and

WHEREAS, A succulent staple in the diet of many Texans, Elgin sausage has helped to put the city of Elgin on the map, and the community thoroughly enjoys its reputation as a barbecue mecca, which it has helped to encourage this year through its sponsorship of the 8th Annual Hogeye Festival; and

WHEREAS, Elgin has long been touted as the state's Sausage Capital by such prominent publications as The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Texas Monthly, and Texas Highways magazine and, in light of its extraordinary achievements in this regard, it is time to award this community the full recognition it so richly deserves; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 74th Texas Legislature hereby designate the city of Elgin as the Sausage Capital of Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for prominent display in Elgin as an acknowledgement of the community's distinction by the Texas House of Representatives.

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