

HOUSE RESOLUTION 13

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A RESOLUTION to honor Jim Love on the occasion of his retirement as the owner and proprietor of Brown's Diner.

WHEREAS, few restaurants enjoy the storied history of the legendary Brown's Diner, a fixture at 2102 Blair Boulevard in Nashville since 1927; and

WHEREAS, for more than ninety years, Brown's Diner has served up delicious burgers and cold beer to literally generations of Nashvillians; in fact, Brown's Diner holds the oldest valid beer permit in the city; and

WHEREAS, Oda Brown acquired the property and named the business for herself and her husband, Charlie Brown, who operated the diner; and

WHEREAS, Jim Love bought Brown's Diner and continued its legacy for forty-seven years before recently selling the property and taking a much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, not much has changed at Brown's Diner over the years, although Mr. Love did build an addition during the early years of his ownership; and

WHEREAS, the décor and fixtures have remained the same, as have most of the employees, and thankfully the new owners plan to leave things as they are; and

WHEREAS, today, Brown's Diner remains an iconic presence on the bustling 21st Avenue South; housed in a ramshackle mule-drawn trolley car from a bygone age, Brown's Diner is definitely a throwback, yet vibrant, establishment on Nashville's fashionable Westside; and

WHEREAS, on New Year's Eve 2020, Mr. Love closed Brown's Diner for the last time, but the iconic eatery will live on for many more years under new leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Love generously credits his "wonderful employees" for the restaurant's longstanding success, but he ensured Brown's Diner's legacy by maintaining its authenticity, old-school charm, and mouth-watering burgers; and

WHEREAS, we are pleased to honor Mr. Love on his retirement, as we recognize Brown's Diner as a Nashville landmark; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor Jim Love on the occasion of his retirement as the owner and proprietor of the iconic Brown's Diner, an enduring institution that represents the best of Nashville, both old and new.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.