CHILI - STATE DISH OF TEXAS

H. C. R. No. 18

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The resolution was adopted. (Bock, Hubenak, and R. Green recorded voting no)