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H.R. No. 1473

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Veteran Women's Enterprise Center is hosting an
2 event to mark the fourth annual Women Veterans Day on June 12, 2021;
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4 WHEREAS, The founder and director of the Veteran Women's
5 Enterprise Center is V. R. Small, a proud veteran of the U.S. Navy
6 and a dynamic advocate for women veterans; she testified in support
7 of the bill passed in 2017 by the 85th Texas Legislature that
8 designated June 12 of each year as Women Veterans Day; the inaugural
9 observance fell on the 70th anniversary of the passage of the
10 Women's Armed Services Integration Act of 1948, which enabled women
11 to serve as permanent, regular members of the U.S. Army, Navy,
12 Marine Corps, and Air Force; and

13 WHEREAS, Through the years, increasing numbers of American
14 women have joined the nation's military, and their steadfast
15 efforts in myriad capacities advance the missions of every branch
16 of the armed forces; the experience and expertise they acquire
17 during their service become immensely valuable assets to their
18 communities when they return to civilian life, and the Lone Star
19 State benefits significantly as home to the country's largest
20 population of women veterans; and

21 WHEREAS, The Veteran Women's Enterprise Center works to
22 foster the professional development of these skilled and dynamic
23 Texans, and accordingly, the center will be celebrating Women
24 Veterans Day with its second annual Women Veteran's Pitch

1 Competition, when a panel of judges will evaluate pitch proposals
2 from women veterans for exciting new businesses; and

3 WHEREAS, The brave women who have answered our nation's call
4 to duty are a source of tremendous pride to all Texans, and it is
5 truly a pleasure to join in honoring their courage, patriotism, and
6 commitment; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
8 Legislature hereby commemorate Women Veterans Day 2021 and extend
9 to the Veteran Women's Enterprise Center sincere best wishes for
10 continued success in its important endeavors; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the Veteran Women's Enterprise Center as an expression
13 of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.