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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington is
2 opening on March 25, 2025, providing a welcome opportunity to
3 recognize those outstanding Texans who have served our nation with
4 distinction; and

5 WHEREAS, The highest military decoration of the United States
6 Armed Forces, the Medal of Honor is awarded to American soldiers,
7 sailors, marines, airmen, guardians, and coast guardsmen who have
8 distinguished themselves by acts of valor, conspicuous gallantry,
9 and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of
10 duty; and

11 WHEREAS, Established under President Lincoln during the
12 Civil War, the Medal of Honor was first awarded more than 160 years
13 ago on March 25, 1863; since that time, an estimated 40 million men
14 and women have served in the United States Armed Forces, and fewer
15 than 4,000 have received this prestigious accolade; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, there are 61 living recipients of the Medal
17 of Honor across the United States, and the nine recipients who call
18 Texas home are Patrick Brady, Florent Groberg, Sal Giunta, Michael
19 Thornton, Jose Rodela, Ty Carter, James Fleming, Dakota Meyer, and
20 Robert O'Malley; these loyal patriots served their country in times
21 of need, and they have each demonstrated extraordinary bravery and
22 a steadfast commitment to defending our nation; and

23 WHEREAS, The opening of the National Medal of Honor Museum in
24 Arlington coincides with National Medal of Honor Day; visitors to

1 the museum will have the opportunity to learn about the history and
2 significance of the award while gaining insight into the
3 achievements of recipients; and

4 WHEREAS, Medal of Honor recipients have set an exceptional
5 example of courage and selfless service, and the National Medal of
6 Honor Museum is a fitting tribute to their inspiring legacy; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
9 Legislature hereby commemorate the opening of the National Medal of
10 Honor Museum in Arlington and extend to the Medal of Honor
11 recipients in Texas sincere gratitude for their heroic service;
12 and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for the National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington as an
15 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.