

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Since this nation's birth, its survival has been dependent in great measure on individuals who have manifested their responsibilities as citizens through service and leadership in the Armed Forces of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Erected on the Capitol grounds in Austin are memorials honoring Texans who fought and died for their country in lands far removed from their native soil in the Spanish-American War, World War I, and the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Many Texans served with unquestionable distinction and valor in World War II, and these men and women also deserve a lasting symbol of this state's esteem and appreciation for their commitment, bravery, perseverance, and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 443, Government Code, authorizes the State Preservation Board to preserve, maintain, and restore the Capitol grounds including the Capitol, the former General Land Office Building, their contents, and monuments and memorials in the vicinity; and

WHEREAS, The State Preservation Board, under Chapter 443 and board rules, has approved a portion of the north grounds for placement of monuments and memorials subject to legislative approval, specified procedural requirements, the provision of funding from private donors, conformity to certain size and design limitations and parameters, and completion on a timely basis; and

1           WHEREAS, Legislators find a tribute to the World War II  
2     contributions of America's "greatest generation" to be appropriate  
3     for a suitably designed commemorative work on the Capitol grounds,  
4     and thus confer their consent to the pursuit of proposals and site  
5     considerations in that regard; now, therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
7     1st Called Session, hereby authorize the State Preservation Board,  
8     subject to state law and rules of the board, to approve and permit  
9     the construction of a monument or memorial on the Capitol grounds  
10    honoring Texans who fought or otherwise served, and in many cases  
11    gave their lives, in World War II as part of this nation's armed  
12    forces; and, be it further

13          RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward an  
14    official copy of this resolution to the executive director of the  
15    State Preservation Board.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 2 was adopted by the Senate on July 17, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 2 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2003.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor