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H.C.R. No. 162

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature is pleased to recognize the  
2 battleship *Texas* on the 55th anniversary of her arrival at the San  
3 Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site; and

4           WHEREAS, Commissioned in 1914, the USS *Texas* is the only  
5 surviving battleship to have served in World War I and World War II;  
6 after being decommissioned, she was docked at the San Jacinto  
7 Battleground State Historic Site in La Porte, Texas, on April 21,  
8 1948; and

9           WHEREAS, The battleship *Texas* is a living memorial to the  
10 countless men who served aboard her in defense of their country; and

11           WHEREAS, For her service to the United States during World  
12 War I, the battleship *Texas* was awarded the World War I Victory  
13 Medal; she was also recognized for her service in World War II,  
14 which included the invasion of Normandy, the Iwo Jima operation,  
15 and other significant naval missions; and

16           WHEREAS, The Battleship *Texas* Foundation promotes education,  
17 restoration, and enhancements directly related to the preservation  
18 of the battleship *Texas*; the foundation will host a 55th  
19 anniversary celebration on April 26, 2003, to honor and to recall  
20 the illustrious history of this much-revered battleship; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
23 hereby honor the battleship *Texas* on the 55th anniversary of her  
24 arrival in Texas and recognize her as a historical treasure of the

1 people of Texas; and, be it further

2           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
3 prepared for this important occasion as an expression of high  
4 regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.