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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, April 15, 2005, marks the 60th anniversary of the
2 death of Captain Jack E. Golden of Seymour, whose courage and
3 gallantry as a soldier during World War II saved many lives and
4 helped the American-led Allies wrest victory from the hands of the
5 Axis powers; and

6 WHEREAS, With the 1st Army, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st
7 Division, Captain Golden was among the first troops to land on the
8 island of Sicily, where he engaged in some of the hardest fighting
9 of the war; he later took part in the critical invasion of Normandy,
10 for which his regiment won the Presidential Citation; and

11 WHEREAS, During his service in Africa, Europe, and the
12 Mediterranean, he was promoted from 1st lieutenant to captain and
13 earned the Silver Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster; he was killed on
14 April 15, 1945, while advancing into the heart of the German
15 Republic with his company; and

16 WHEREAS, Born in Bomarton on December 2, 1921, Captain Golden
17 attended Seymour High School before graduating from Texas A&M
18 College on May 16, 1942; he reported to Fort Sill in Oklahoma the
19 following day and was later transferred to Fort Hood after
20 volunteering to serve in the tank destroyer division; and

21 WHEREAS, Jack Golden was a brave soldier, a patriotic
22 American, and a proud Texan, and six decades later his loss is still
23 remembered with sadness; he gave his life so that others might be
24 free, and for this he will never be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Captain Jack Golden
3 and honor his enduring memory; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Captain
7 Jack E. Golden.