

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, San Antonio's Jose M. Lopez distinguished himself
2 through his legendary acts of bravery and valor as a member of the
3 United States Army during World War II, and it is indeed a privilege
4 to pay tribute to him at this time; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Lopez ably served as a machine gunner in
6 the army's 23rd Infantry, 2nd Division, and for his selfless
7 actions he was named a recipient of the Congressional Medal of
8 Honor; he became the fourth American of Mexican descent to receive
9 this prestigious honor, and his heroism has inspired countless
10 individuals; and

11 WHEREAS, On December 17, 1944, with his company entrenched in
12 combat in Belgium, Sergeant Lopez single-handedly held off the
13 enemy with his heavy machine gun, protecting his company's flank
14 until it was able to safely withdraw from the area; and

15 WHEREAS, Virtually unprotected from enemy fire, he withstood
16 the German artillery and fought back the advancing infantry; his
17 decisive actions and remarkable courage prevented his company's
18 position from being outflanked and saved the lives of many of his
19 fellow soldiers; and

20 WHEREAS, At a time when courage and heroism are in high
21 demand, it is important to honor those heroes who led the way with
22 their selflessness and patriotism for those who have followed in
23 their footsteps, and Jose M. Lopez is most deserving of this
24 recognition; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Sergeant Jose M. Lopez for his
3 courageous efforts during World War II and extend to him the
4 heartfelt gratitude and admiration of his fellow citizens; and, be
5 it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mr. Lopez as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1531 was adopted by the House on May 16, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House