

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 200

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the battleship *Texas* on the 60th anniversary of the raising of the United States flag at the battle of Iwo Jima on February 23, 1945; and

**WHEREAS**, The battleship *Texas* was commissioned in 1914 and saw action during both World Wars, providing essential support in the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters; 60 years ago, the ship played a key role in the landings on Iwo Jima and Okinawa; and

**WHEREAS**, The *Texas* was decommissioned in 1948 and docked at the San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site in La Porte; and

**WHEREAS**, Designated a National Historic Museum, the battleship *Texas* is under the care of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Battleship Texas Foundation, which raises funds to restore the ship and promote its historical significance and educational value; and

**WHEREAS**, The battleship *Texas* has played an important role in the history of our nation, and the Battleship Texas Foundation's mission of preserving this historical treasure is truly a worthy undertaking; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the Battleship Texas Foundation for its preservation and restoration efforts and honor the battleship *Texas* on the 60th anniversary of the raising of the United States flag at Iwo Jima; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the foundation as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 23, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate