

By: Hardcastle

H.C.R. No. 17

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Department of the American Volunteer
2 Reserve Veterans Honor Guard has distinguished itself as a vital
3 and valued asset to the citizens of Young County and North Central
4 Texas, and it is indeed fitting that its members be lauded for their
5 contributions to their community; and

6 WHEREAS, The organization was founded in 2004 by William
7 Crews McCulloch, brigadier general and national commander of the
8 American Volunteer Reserve, to fulfill the role of honor guard at
9 the funerals of fellow veterans, and Lieutenant Colonel Boyd E.
10 Fallwell, chaplain and honor guard commander at Fort Sill National
11 Cemetery, provided training and certification to the group's
12 original members; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to its funeral duties, the Texas
14 Department of the American Volunteer Reserve Veterans Honor Guard
15 performs at special ceremonies on Memorial Day, the 4th of July,
16 September 11, Veterans Day, and Pearl Harbor Day; moreover, its
17 color guard is often called upon to post or raise the flag, as well
18 as to teach patriotism, flag etiquette, and flag folding to
19 schoolchildren and Boy Scouts; and

20 WHEREAS, Demonstrating unwavering dedication and discipline,
21 the honor guard has earned the admiration and appreciation of all
22 those who hold in highest regard our veterans and our servicemen and
23 servicewomen; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas

1 hereby pay tribute to the Texas Department of the American
2 Volunteer Reserve Veterans Honor Guard and extend sincere
3 appreciation to its members, both past and present; and, be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the honor guard as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.