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H.R. No. 1426

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyous times, loving  
2 moments, and meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the  
3 family and friends of Jose Guillermo Alarcon, Sr., of Clint, who  
4 passed away on December 16, 2006, at the age of 85; and

5           WHEREAS, Born on January 28, 1921, in Esperanza, Mr. Alarcon  
6 joined the army in 1942 and served through 1945, achieving the rank  
7 of Technician 5th Grade; he took part in the Normandy invasion on  
8 D-Day, fought in the Battle of the Bulge and in Central Europe, and  
9 twice sustained wounds in combat; a soldier of exceptional valor,  
10 Mr. Alarcon received numerous medals and decorations, notably the  
11 Silver Star, the Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Purple  
12 Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster, and five Combat Battle Stars, as  
13 well as the Army Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal,  
14 the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three  
15 Bronze Stars and one Silver Star, the World War II Victory Medal  
16 with two Overseas Service Bars, the World War II Occupation Medal,  
17 and the Marksman Badge with Rifle Bar; and

18           WHEREAS, After returning to civilian life, Jose Alarcon  
19 worked for 35 years at the White Sands Missile Range, where he was  
20 employed as a heavy equipment diesel mechanic; and

21           WHEREAS, Mr. Alarcon and his beloved wife, Virginia, shared a  
22 rewarding union of 58 years until her passing in 2006; deeply  
23 devoted to their family, they set an exemplary model of citizenship  
24 for their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, a

1 large circle in whom they took great pride and joy; like his wife,  
2 Mr. Alarcon was a valued member of San Lorenzo Catholic Church; and

3 WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have shared in the  
4 friendship and love of Jose Alarcon will long miss this esteemed and  
5 courageous gentleman, and the memory of his life and dedication to  
6 his family and his country will forever occupy a treasured place in  
7 their hearts; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jose Guillermo  
10 Alarcon, Sr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his  
11 family: to his sons, Guillermo Antonio Alarcon, Jose Guillermo  
12 Alarcon, Jr., and his wife, Nancy, Oscar Alarcon and his wife,  
13 Yolie, and Waldo Alarcon and his wife, Flora; to his daughters,  
14 Rosalinda Vigil and her husband, Ray, and Dorina Lucero and her  
15 husband, Armando; to his 23 grandchildren and 12  
16 great-grandchildren; to his brothers, Ernesto and Humberto  
17 Alarcon; to his sisters, Ernestina Guerra and Maria Bowling; and to  
18 his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jose  
22 Guillermo Alarcon.