## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The valiant Americans who fought for this country 2 during the crucial years of World War II are deserving of the 3 highest respect; and

WHEREAS, James Luther Ware of Marshall was among those who endured the grim dangers of war to preserve his nation's freedom and

6 prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Born in Fannin County in 1925, Jim Ware was a high school student when the attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into that momentous conflict; immediately after his 1942 graduation, he was on his way to Marine training camp, and in February 1944, he and his fellow Marines in the 24th Regiment of the 4th Division fought their way ashore on the Pacific islands of Roi-Namur; and

WHEREAS, That successful attack against stiff Japanese opposition was the first of four island invasions in which Private Ware took part; again at Saipan, at Tinian, and at Iwo Jima, he fought with immense bravery and great determination, aiding the advance toward Japan that eventually helped bring about the end of the war; wounded on Saipan in June 1945, Private Ware received the Purple Heart commendation; and

WHEREAS, Returning to civilian life, Mr. Ware became a successful businessman and worked in office equipment sales in Texas, New York, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida before settling in Marshall and opening Ware Machine & Supply; through the years, he

- 1 has been a caring father to his daughter, Laura Ware Shurtleff, and
- 2 a loving husband to his wife, Connie; Mr. Ware has also taken an
- 3 active role in his community; he helped found the Marshall Metro
- 4 Rotary Club and is a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars,
- 5 the Marine Corps League, and the 4th Marine Division Association,
- 6 as well as an active member of the military affairs committee of the
- 7 Marshall Chamber of Commerce; he has also devoted extensive time to
- 8 helping participants in 12-step recovery programs; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In March 2007, Jim Ware returned to Iwo Jima to help
- 10 commemorate the 62nd anniversary of the battle for that fiercely
- 11 contested island; that ceremony offered an opportunity for somber
- 12 reflection on the contributions made by the members of America's
- 13 armed forces in World War II, and in that spirit, the members of
- 14 this chamber recognize the tremendous valor of Private James Ware
- and his noble actions in behalf of his country and its citizens;
- 16 now, therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 18 Legislature hereby commend James Luther Ware for courageously
- 19 serving in the United States Marines Corps during World War II and
- 20 commend him for his many good works and deeds; and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for Mr. Ware as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 23 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2131 was adopted by the House on May 16, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House