

Amend HCR 50 as follows:

(1) On page 1, before line 1, insert:

WHEREAS, Each Member of the Legislature feels great pride in being citizens of the United States of America, which includes the right of citizens to petition their government for redress of grievances; and,

WHEREAS, All Texans have benefited from this State's participation in the unique experience in democracy that first began on a field in Lexington, Massachusetts, and called The United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Countless Texans have served in the Armed Forces of the United States with the brave sons and daughters of all our sister States to protect our State, our Nation, our Union, and many of them gave the last full measure of devotion by offering their lives to preserve that Union; and

WHEREAS, Each Member of the Legislature has sworn a solemn oath to defend our National Union; and

WHEREAS, Each day, millions of Texans assemble in churches, synagogues, schools, arenas, fields, and homes to pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the one nation, indivisible, for which that Flag stands; and

(2) On page 2, lines 3, strike "congress" and substitute "the Congress of the United States".

(3) On page 2, between lines 9 and 10, insert:

RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas reaffirms the pride of all Texans in both our one and indivisible National Union and in our one and indivisible State and the common heritage of both; and, be it further

(5) Strike the last resolving clause and substitute:

RESOLVED, that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Senators and Representatives of Texas in Congress with the request that this resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record as a memorial to the Congress of the United States of America; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of

Representatives is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the President of the United States of America, the Vice President of the United States of America, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States of America, and to the governor of each sister State as an expression of the affection of the people of Texas for our one National and Indivisible Union.