

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas State Guard is celebrating the 70th
2 anniversary of its founding in 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, Originally called the Texas Defense Guard, this
4 branch of the Texas military forces was authorized by the Defense
5 Act (House Bill 45), which was signed into law by Governor Pappy
6 O'Daniel on February 10, 1941; created to take the place of the
7 National Guard units being mobilized for the war effort, the Texas
8 State Guard has since evolved into a rapidly deployable emergency
9 action force that is ready to respond at a moment's notice to
10 natural and man-made disasters; this capability is in keeping with
11 its mandate to provide a mission-ready volunteer force for service
12 to the Lone Star State; and

13 WHEREAS, The individual units of the Texas State Guard are
14 the 4th and 5th Air Wings, the Maritime Regiment, the Texas Medical
15 Brigade, and six regional regiments: The 1st, nicknamed the Alamo
16 Guards, the 2nd, called the Austin Greys, the 4th, known as the
17 Panther City Fencibles, the 8th, Terry's Texas Rangers, the 19th,
18 Parson's Brigade, and the 39th, the Roughnecks; and

19 WHEREAS, The volunteer nature of the Texas State Guard makes
20 it a highly cost-effective and efficient force; members serve in an
21 unpaid capacity, unless called to active duty, and because they are
22 locally based throughout the state they can respond to emergencies
23 within two hours of notification; the valiant men and women who
24 belong to the state guard together provide an estimated 40,000 days

1 per year of uncompensated community service and disaster training;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, For seven decades, the Texas State Guard has helped
4 ensure the safety and well-being of the residents of the Lone Star
5 State, and its long history of service, often rendered in demanding
6 and dangerous conditions, is indeed deserving of recognition; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
9 Legislature hereby commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Texas
10 State Guard and extend sincere gratitude to its members; and, be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for the Texas State Guard as an expression of high regard
14 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 570

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 570 was adopted by the House on March 17, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House