

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, January 30, 2013, marks the 45th anniversary of the
2 launching of the Tet Offensive during the Vietnam War, and this is a
3 fitting opportunity to remember the nearly 4,000 American military
4 personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice during those harrowing
5 weeks and months; and

6 WHEREAS, In the early morning hours of January 30, 1968, in
7 violation of a lunar new year truce, 84,000 North Vietnamese and
8 Viet Cong troops launched the massive Tet Offensive, attacking 105
9 cities and towns throughout South Vietnam; and

10 WHEREAS, Although they were taken by surprise, American
11 troops acquitted themselves with bravery and skill in innumerable
12 instances of bitter combat; notable battles included those in the
13 cities of Saigon and Hue and at the marine base at Khe Sanh and
14 surrounding outposts; and

15 WHEREAS, The attacks were eventually repelled, and the Viet
16 Cong were effectively destroyed as a fighting force; the Tet
17 Offensive cost more than 50,000 lives, including those of 14,000
18 civilians and 3,895 American soldiers; in mid-February alone, 543
19 Americans were killed, the highest weekly total of the entire war;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Nearly half a century later, the courage displayed
22 by American troops during the Tet Offensive continues to exemplify
23 the highest standard of bravery, and those who paid the last full
24 measure of devotion are forever deserving of remembrance and honor

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1 by the country they served; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the lives of those Americans who
4 fell in battle during the Tet Offensive of the Vietnam War.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 238 was adopted by the House on January 30, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House