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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Area residents are gathering at the Sugar Land

2 Skeeters Constellation Field on May 28, 2013, to recognize Memorial

3 Day and pay tribute to the men and women who have served, are

4 presently serving, or are on their way to serving in the United

5 States armed forces; and

6 WHEREAS, Originally called Decoration Day, Memorial Day is a

7 day of solemn remembrance for those who have died in our nation's

8 service; the toll of war has indeed been a heavy one: more than one

9 million U.S. military personnel have died during wartime, and

10 approximately 1.5 million have been wounded; thousands more have

11 endured extreme privation as prisoners of war, and still other

12 thousands have been listed as missing in action; and

WHEREAS, In communities across the country, monuments have

14 been erected in tribute to those who have risked all in defiance of

15 tyranny and in their country's defense, and these memorials are the

16 physical representation of the gratitude that all Americans should

17 carry in their hearts for these brave individuals; and

18 WHEREAS, With U.S. troops today engaged in difficult

19 operations overseas, endeavoring to secure peace and stability in

20 dangerous environments, Memorial Day ceremonies once again

21 resonate with profound meaning, and it is a privilege to join with

22 citizens throughout the nation in paying homage to the immeasurable

23 courage, commitment, and sacrifice of this country's military

24 personnel; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
Legislature hereby commemorate the Memorial Day event at
Constellation Field, honor the memory of those who have perished in
service to their nation, and extend deep gratitude to all members of
our country's armed forces who have served or are serving to protect
our freedom.