

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, United States Army Sergeant Gilberto Lopez Sanchez
2 of New Braunfels made the ultimate sacrifice in behalf of his
3 country during the Korean War, in the ferocious Battle of the Chosin
4 Reservoir; and

5 WHEREAS, One of eight brothers to serve in the United States
6 military, Sergeant Sanchez was born to Bernardino and Coleta
7 Sanchez in Comal County on October 21, 1931; trained as an army
8 medic, he was assigned to the Medical Company, 32nd Infantry
9 Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, which was deployed east of the
10 Chosin Reservoir in November 1950 as part of the 31st Regimental
11 Combat Team; on the night of November 27-28, 1950, RCT-31, known
12 historically as Task Force Faith, was attacked by vastly larger
13 numbers of enemy forces; the fighting continued for some two weeks,
14 with the task force suffering grievous losses; on December 2, 1950,
15 Sergeant Sanchez, who had been treating the wounded, was reported
16 as missing in action, and on December 31, 1953, he was listed as
17 presumed dead; and

18 WHEREAS, Through the years, the family of Sergeant Sanchez
19 continued to search for information as to his fate; his remains have
20 now been recovered and have been identified through DNA, and he is
21 being laid to rest with full military honors on January 23, 2015, at
22 Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery; and

23 WHEREAS, Sergeant Sanchez was the recipient of the Purple
24 Heart, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Service

1 Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Korean Presidential
2 Unit Citation, and the Republic of Korea War Service Medal; he was
3 also awarded the Combat Medical Badge; and

4 WHEREAS, Unwavering in his devotion to duty, honor, and this
5 country, Sergeant Gilberto Sanchez embodied the highest ideals of
6 the United States armed forces, and his fellow citizens mourn the
7 death of a courageous soldier and patriot whose life was a blessing
8 to all who were privileged to share in his love and friendship; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 84th Legislature of the State of Texas
11 hereby honor the memory of U.S. Army Sergeant Gilberto Sanchez and
12 extend to his family sincere sympathy for his loss and profound
13 gratitude for his valiant service; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
16 of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory
17 of U.S. Army Sergeant Gilberto Lopez Sanchez.

Miller of Comal

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Allen	Guillen	Paddie
Alonzo	Gutierrez	Parker
Alvarado	Harless	Paul
Anchia	Hernandez	Peña
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Anderson of McLennan	Howard	Phillips
Ashby	Huberty	Pickett
Aycock	Hughes	Price
Bell	Hunter	Raney
Blanco	Isaac	Raymond
Bohac	Israel	Reynolds
Bonnen of Brazoria	Johnson	Riddle
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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 44 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on January 21, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 44 was adopted by the Senate on January 26, 2015, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor