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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, World War II veteran Ervin Davis of Waco has been
2 featured in the *Waco Tribune-Herald* as one of its Voices of Valor;
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4 WHEREAS, A native of Pearl, Ervin Davis was drafted into the
5 U.S. Army along with his twin brother, Erwin, after graduating high
6 school; the brothers completed basic training together in Tyler and
7 then underwent advanced training in South Carolina to become a
8 two-man bazooka team; they subsequently joined the 89th Infantry
9 Division in General Patton's 3rd Army and were deployed to France;
10 their unit soon infiltrated Germany and saw action in several
11 battles before the war in Europe came to an end; the brothers went
12 on to serve with the 8th Division and then the 5th Division, and
13 they were awaiting deployment to the Pacific theater when the war
14 ended; and

15 WHEREAS, After returning to civilian life, Ervin Davis began
16 working as a barber at Baylor University in 1955, beginning a
17 fulfilling career that spanned 56 years; he garnered the admiration
18 and friendship of generations of customers, and though he retired
19 from the university in 2011, he continues to cut hair part-time at a
20 different shop in Waco; and

21 WHEREAS, Through his bravery and great dedication, Ervin
22 Davis fulfilled the highest ideals of the United States armed
23 forces, and his fellow citizens owe him a lasting debt of gratitude;
24 now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
2 Legislature hereby honor Ervin Davis for his exemplary service to
3 his country as a member of the United States Army and congratulate
4 him on his recognition as one of the Voices of Valor by the *Waco*
5 *Tribune-Herald*; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Mr. Davis as an expression of high regard by the Texas
8 House of Representatives.