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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Frank J. Nemec, an esteemed citizen of West, is
- 2 visiting the State Capitol on March 16, 2017; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The son of Paul and Mary Nemec, Frank Nemec was born
- 4 in the community of Cottonwood, near West, on October 17, 1914; he
- 5 grew up speaking both Polish and Czech and attended St. Joseph and
- 6 Cottonwood schools; as a young man, he farmed cotton and other crops
- 7 for his family and played semipro baseball for Cottonwood; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Nemec enlisted in the United States Marine Corps
- 9 during World War II and took part in the amphibious landings at New
- 10 Britain, Peleliu, and Okinawa; he further served in Guadalcanal,
- 11 New Guinea, Pavuvu, and Goodenough Island, and after 28 straight
- 12 months in the war zone, he served a three-month tour of occupation
- 13 duty in China; his military awards include a Good Conduct Medal and
- 14 the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, and his unit, Company B of the
- 15 1st Tank Battalion, 1st Marine Division, was awarded the
- 16 Presidential Unit Citation; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Following his return to civilian life, Mr. Nemec
- 18 performed sewing machine maintenance and repair in Decatur, Dallas,
- 19 West, and Waco for the Lorch Manufacturing Company, Wolf
- 20 Manufacturing, Nardis Sportswear, and the Crawford-Austin
- 21 Manufacturing Company; he also repaired home machines for more than
- 22 60 years; and
- WHEREAS, Frank Nemec married the former Marie Raby on
- 24 November 26, 1953, and they became the parents of four children; the

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- 1 couple operated Family Fabrics, a retail store, in downtown West
- 2 from 1965 until 1980; Mr. Nemec served as a director of the West
- 3 Chamber of Commerce and the West Industrial Foundation and as a
- 4 member of the St. Mary's school board; a member, also, of the West
- 5 Baseball Association, he was instrumental in raising funds for the
- 6 West Baseball Complex; in addition, he holds membership in KJT
- 7 Society No. 31 and American Legion Post No. 478 and life membership
- 8 in VFW Post No. 4819, Knights of Columbus Council No. 2305,
- 9 Disabled American Veterans Chapter 3, and the 1st Marine Division
- 10 Association; he is also a lifelong parishioner of St. Mary's Church
- 11 of the Assumption; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Few citizens can claim such a lengthy record of
- 13 civic engagement as Frank Nemec, and it is indeed a pleasure to
- 14 recognize him on the occasion of West Day at the State Capitol; now,
- 15 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby honor Frank J. Nemec for his contributions to
- 18 West and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness;
- 19 and, be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 21 prepared for Mr. Nemec as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 22 House of Representatives.

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16, 2017, by a non-	-record vote.					

Chief Clerk of the House

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