

By: Herrero

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The heroic military service of Ramiro L. Esquivel  
2 was recognized by Alaniz-Valentine Chapter 598 of the Military  
3 Order of the Purple Heart at a ceremony aboard the USS *Lexington* in  
4 Corpus Christi on February 28, 2017; and

5           WHEREAS, One of our nation's highest military commendations,  
6 the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the U.S. armed forces who  
7 have been wounded or killed in combat; the Military Order of the  
8 Purple Heart is a veterans organization founded in 1932 that draws  
9 its membership from individuals who have received the medal; and

10           WHEREAS, Purple Heart recipient Ramiro L. Esquivel served his  
11 nation in Korea as a member of the U.S. Army, and he was wounded in  
12 action on August 30, 1950, September 22, 1950, and January 13, 1951;  
13 and

14           WHEREAS, Mr. Esquivel was one of 16 living Purple Heart  
15 recipients who were recognized at the ceremony in Corpus Christi,  
16 along with two others who lost their lives in the line of duty;  
17 among those paying tribute to the honorees were Brigadier General  
18 James Mobley, Vietnam veteran J. R. Pena, and the color guard of the  
19 W. B. Ray High School Naval Junior ROTC; and

20           WHEREAS, Americans owe a profound debt of gratitude to Ramiro  
21 L. Esquivel for putting himself in harm's way to defend our freedom,  
22 and his selfless efforts are a source of inspiration for all who  
23 know him; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby honor Ramiro L. Esquivel on the occasion of his  
2 recognition by Alaniz-Valentine Chapter 598 of the Military Order  
3 of the Purple Heart and commend him for his sacrifice in behalf of  
4 our nation; and, be it further

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