

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Albert Duran, a senior at Earl Warren High School in  
2 San Antonio, has enlisted in the United States Navy, and his  
3 experiences during the enlistment process have helped inspire the  
4 filing of Senate Bill 1152 during the 85th Texas Legislature; and

5           WHEREAS, Determined to serve his nation after he graduates,  
6 Mr. Duran took time off from school to take the oath of enlistment  
7 and to complete other requirements; these absences were counted  
8 against his attendance record, as Texas law does not permit missing  
9 school for such a purpose, even though high school students are  
10 allowed up to two days of absences to visit college campuses; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Duran's story gained the attention of Texas  
12 State Senator José Menéndez, who subsequently introduced S.B. 1152  
13 to address the issue; the legislation would allow students 17 years  
14 of age or older to miss up to four days of school for the purpose of  
15 pursuing enlistment in a branch of the U.S. armed services or the  
16 Texas National Guard; in support of the bill, Mr. Duran traveled to  
17 the State Capitol on March 8, 2017, to testify before the Senate  
18 Committee on Veteran Affairs and Border Security; and

19           WHEREAS, Albert Duran is the son of Ernesto and Sabrena  
20 Duran; in choosing to join the armed forces, he is following in the  
21 footsteps of his father, who has proudly served as a member of the  
22 U.S. Army; and

23           WHEREAS, This notable young Texan has demonstrated an  
24 exceptional commitment not only to defending his country but also

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1 to assisting other students considering military careers, and he is  
2 truly deserving of special recognition for his efforts; now,  
3 therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby commend Albert Duran for enlisting in the U.S.  
6 Navy and for his part in inspiring Texas Senate Bill 1152; and, be  
7 it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1929 was adopted by the House on May 5, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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