

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In commemoration of Gold Star Mother's Day on
2 September 24, 2017, members of American Gold Star Mothers are
3 gathering across the nation in heartfelt tribute to the sons and
4 daughters who have given their lives in service to their country;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Incorporated in 1929, American Gold Star Mothers is
7 composed of women whose children, as U.S. service personnel, were
8 killed in action during times of war or conflict; its name comes
9 from the custom of hanging a service flag for each member of the
10 military, with blue stars for living soldiers and gold stars
11 representing those who perished in battle; in their efforts to help
12 perpetuate the memory of their loved ones, Gold Star Mothers host
13 remembrance events, perform volunteer work at veterans hospitals,
14 and promote a message of respect and reverence for members of the
15 armed forces; and

16 WHEREAS, Gold Star Mother's Day is observed on the last
17 Sunday in September, and each year, the president of the United
18 States issues a proclamation for the event that calls on all
19 citizens to display the Stars and Stripes as an expression of
20 appreciation and support for Gold Star Mothers and their families;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Americans owe profound and eternal gratitude to
23 those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our
24 freedom, and Gold Star Mother's Day provides a fitting time to

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1 reflect on and honor the selfless service of these patriotic men and
2 women and to recognize the loss experienced by their mothers; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
5 Legislature hereby commemorate Gold Star Mother's Day 2017 and
6 extend deepest sympathy to all Texas families who have lost a loved
7 one to war.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2294 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House