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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The valiant military service of Allen James Lynch is being saluted as part of the 2019 Medal of Honor Host City Weekend in Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, Established in 2001, Gainesville's Medal of Honor Host City Program acknowledges the heroism and sacrifice of individuals who have earned the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest military award for valor; each year, local citizens join together to fund travel costs and other expenses to bring medal recipients to the city for a special series of events; and

WHEREAS, A veteran of the Vietnam War, U.S. Army Sergeant Allen James Lynch earned the Medal of Honor for the gallantry he demonstrated during a firefight near the village of My An while serving with Company D, 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division; when his unit engaged a larger enemy force, he braved a barrage of hostile gunfire to administer aid to three wounded comrades; after felling two enemy soldiers, he carried the men he was rescuing to a nearby trench, crossing a fire-swept area several times; he then defended their position for two hours against the encroaching enemy before once again carrying the wounded to a safer location and helping secure their evacuation; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating extraordinary courage in the line of duty, Allen James Lynch fulfilled the highest ideals of the United States armed forces, and he has earned the lasting admiration of a grateful nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby pay tribute to Allen James Lynch on the occasion of the 2019 Medal of Honor Host City Weekend in Gainesville and commend him for his exemplary service in the defense of our nation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Lynch as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.