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By:  Springer H.C.R. No. 174

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The valiant military service of Kenneth E. Stumpf 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, U.S. Army staff sergeant Kenneth Stumpf received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the Vietnam War; on April 25, 1967, he was leading the Third Platoon, Company C, on a search and destroy mission near Duc Pho when they encountered a heavily fortified North Vietnamese rifle company; after three of his men were wounded during initial contact, this brave soldier repeatedly put himself in the line of fire to rescue them; he then went on to lead a successful assault against several enemy bunkers, eliminating a key tactical position; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating extraordinary courage in the line of duty, Kenneth Stumpf 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 Kenneth E. Stumpf 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. Stumpf as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.