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H.C.R. No. 106

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The valiant military service of James C. McCloughan
2 is being saluted as part of the 2019 Medal of Honor Host City
3 Weekend in Gainesville; and

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

10 WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Army, Private First
11 Class McCloughan served in Vietnam as a combat medic with Company C
12 in the 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry, 196th Light Infantry Brigade
13 Americal Division; on May 13, 1969, a large North Vietnamese Army
14 force ambushed his platoon near Tam Ky and Nui Yon Hill; without
15 thought for his personal well-being, he repeatedly ran through
16 heavy fire into the "kill zone" to treat injured comrades and carry
17 them to safety; though he was wounded, he refused evacuation and
18 remained at the battle site with his fellow soldiers, who were
19 severely outnumbered; the following day, he was injured again while
20 rendering aid, yet he returned to the crossfire numerous times; on
21 May 15, after staying up all night to assist in a supply drop, he
22 continued to fight alongside his comrades, knocking out a
23 rocket-propelled grenade position, eliminating enemy troops,
24 treating countless casualties, and organizing the dead and wounded

1 for evacuation; and

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

6 RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas
7 hereby pay tribute to James C. McCloughan on the occasion of the
8 2019 Medal of Honor Host City Weekend in Gainesville and commend him
9 for his exemplary service in the defense of our nation; and, be it
10 further

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