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S.R. No. 320

SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Arlington and Texans throughout the state in celebrating the grand opening of the National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington on March 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The highest military decoration awarded by the United States Armed Forces, the Medal of Honor is bestowed upon American soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen, guardians, and coast guardsmen who have distinguished themselves for acts of valor, conspicuous gallantry, and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, The Medal of Honor was established under President Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War and was first awarded on March 25, 1863; since that time, an estimated 40 million men and women have served in the United States Armed Forces, and fewer than 4,000 have received this prestigious accolade; and

WHEREAS, Today, there are 61 living recipients of the Medal of Honor across the United States, and the nine recipients who currently reside in Texas are Patrick Brady, Florent Groberg, Sal Giunta, Michael Thornton, Jose Rodela, Ty Carter, James Fleming, Dakota Meyer, and Robert O'Malley; these loyal patriots served their country in times of need, and they have each demonstrated extraordinary bravery and steadfast commitment to

defending our nation; and

WHEREAS, The opening of the National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington coincides with National Medal of Honor Day; visitors to the museum will have the opportunity to learn about the history and significance of the award while gaining insight into the valorous achievements of medal recipients; and

WHEREAS, Those who have been awarded the Medal of Honor have set an exceptional example of courage and selfless service, and the National Medal of Honor Museum is a fitting tribute to their inspiring legacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby commemorate the opening of the National Medal of Honor museum in Arlington and extend to Medal of Honor recipients in Texas sincere gratitude for their heroic service; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the museum as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.