

1 HJR118
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3 By Representative Knight
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 07-MAR-17

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 RECOGNIZING NIMROD T. FRAZER FOR SERVICE.
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5 WHEREAS, lifelong Alabamian Nimrod T. "Rod" Frazer
6 has the utmost distinction of receiving the Silver Star for
7 Gallantry in Action in the Korean Conflict and of building a
8 lucrative career in finance and business; and

9 WHEREAS, Rod Frazer is the son of William Frazer,
10 one of 95,000 Alabamians who served in World War I as a member
11 of the 167th Infantry Regiment, a unit of the 42nd "Rainbow"
12 Division, which played a critical role in defending Paris and
13 in breaking the German line during the Aisne-Marne Offensive;
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15 WHEREAS, Rod Frazer has memorialized the
16 achievements of the 167th Infantry Regiment and the Rainbow
17 Division by providing for a ten-foot bronze sculpture of an
18 American soldier carrying a dead comrade erected at the site
19 of the Battle of Croix Rouge Farm; he established a foundation
20 entrusted with the mission of erecting the Croix Rouge Farm
21 Memorial and acquiring the property on which to build it; and

22 WHEREAS, the 2011 dedication of the Croix Rouge Farm
23 Memorial served as a celebration of goodwill between the
24 people of France and Alabama; Frazer donated the memorial and
25 property to the nearby city of Fere-en-Tardenois in 2012,

1 further increasing warm sentiments between France and Alabama;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Rod Frazer further memorialized the service
4 of Alabamians in the 167th Infantry Regiment by authoring
5 "Send the Alabamians: World War I Fighters in the Rainbow
6 Division"; published in 2014 by The University of Alabama
7 Press, the book not only documented the achievements of the
8 167th Infantry Regiment, but reignited Alabamians' interest in
9 this important chapter of our history and reconnected many
10 Alabama towns with local heroes who had been forgotten; and

11 WHEREAS, in 2017, in recognition of the 100th
12 Anniversary of World War I, Rod Frazer will again memorialize
13 the service of the 167th Infantry Regiment through the
14 installation of an aviators' monument at Maxwell Air Force
15 Base and a second Rainbow Division monument at Union Station
16 in Montgomery; now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Nimrod T.
19 Frazer for his accomplishments in military service, business,
20 and scholarship and for keeping alive the memory of a
21 generation that gave valiantly to the cause of liberty.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express deep
23 gratitude on behalf of the people of Alabama for his generous
24 sponsorship of monuments placed in France and Montgomery in
25 memory of American soldiers and aviators.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 09-MAR-17.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

15-MAR-17

Adopted