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H. CON. RES. 123

Commending the bravery and honor of the citizens of Remy, France, for their actions with respect to Lieutenant Houston Braly and to recognize the efforts of the 364th Fighter Group to raise funds to restore the stained glass windows of a church in Remy.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 27, 1999

Mrs. TAUSCHER (for herself, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. FROST, Ms. LEE, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. SHOWS, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Ms. GRANGER, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. DIXON, and Mr. SMITH of Texas) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Commending the bravery and honor of the citizens of Remy, France, for their actions with respect to Lieutenant Houston Braly and to recognize the efforts of the 364th Fighter Group to raise funds to restore the stained glass windows of a church in Remy.

Whereas on August 2, 1944, a squadron of P-51s from the United States 364th Fighter Group strafed a German munitions train in Remy, France;

Whereas the resulting explosion killed Lieutenant Houston Braly, one of the attacking pilots, and destroyed much of

the village of Remy, including 7 stained glass windows in the 13th Century church;

Whereas, despite threats of reprisals from the occupying German authorities, the citizens of Remy recovered Lieutenant Braly's body from the wreckage, buried his body with dignity and honor in the church's cemetery, and decorated the grave site daily with fresh flowers;

Whereas on Armistice Day, 1995, the village of Remy renamed the crossroads near the site of Lieutenant Braly's death in his honor;

Whereas the surviving members of the 364th Fighter Group desire to express their gratitude to the brave citizens of Remy; and

Whereas, to express their gratitude, the surviving members of the 364th Fighter Group have organized a nonprofit corporation to raise funds, through its project "Windows for Remy", to restore the church's stained glass windows: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress commends the bravery and
 3 honor of the citizens of Remy, France, for their actions
 4 with respect to the American fighter pilot Lieutenant
 5 Houston Braly during and after August 1944, and that
 6 the Congress recognizes the efforts of the surviving mem-
 7 bers of the United States 364th Fighter Group to raise
 8 funds to restore the stained glass windows of Remy's 13th
 9 Century church.

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