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H. CON. RES. 181

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a postage stamp commemorating Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban and his service during World War II.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

Mr. HOEKSTRA submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States Postal Service should issue a postage stamp commemorating Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban and his service during World War II.

Whereas Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban began his active duty Army service on July 2, 1941, when he reported to the 60th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, then at Fort Bragg, North Carolina;

Whereas Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban served with this regiment during six campaigns in the Mediterranean and European theaters of operation during World War II, rising to the position of battalion commander before he was severely wounded on September 3, 1944;

Whereas for his service during World War II, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban was awarded the Silver Star with one oak leaf cluster, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal with “V” device, two oak-leaf clusters, the Purple Heart with six oak-leaf clusters, the American Defense Service Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with six service stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Croix de Guerre with Bronze Star, the Croix de Guerre, and the Belgian Fourragère;

Whereas in addition, President Jimmy Carter awarded the Medal of Honor to Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban on July 19, 1980; and

Whereas upon his receipt of the Medal of Honor in 1980, the assertion was made that Lieutenant Colonel Matt Urban has become considered “the most decorated combat soldier” from World War II: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that—

3 (1) the United States Postal Service should
4 issue a postage stamp commemorating Lieutenant
5 Colonel Matt Urban and his service during World
6 War II; and

7 (2) the Citizens’ Stamp Advisory Committee
8 should recommend to the Postmaster General that
9 such a stamp be issued.

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