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RESOLUTION

Т	o urge Congress to enact House Resolution 2070	1
	requiring the installation in the area of the	2
	World War II Memorial in Washington D.C., a	3
	suitable plaque or an inscription with the words	4
	that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with	5
	the nation on June 6, 1944.	б

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

WHEREAS, On June 6, 1944, the United States Armed Forces and7their allies conducted the largest amphibious landing in world8history in an effort to liberate mainland Europe from Nazi9occupation during World War II; and10

WHEREAS, On June 6, 1944, United States President Franklin D. 11 Roosevelt, speaking to the American people, offered the following 12 prayer: 13

"My fellow Americans: Last night, when I spoke with you about the fall of Rome, I knew at that moment that troops of the United States and our allies were crossing the Channel in another and greater operation. It has come to pass with success thus far.

And so, in this poignant hour, I ask you to join with me in prayer:

Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our Nation, this day have set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, our religion, and our civilization, and to set free a suffering humanity.

Lead them straight and true; give strength to their arms, 24 stoutness to their hearts, steadfastness in their faith. 25

They will need Thy blessings. Their road will be long and26hard. For the enemy is strong. He may hurl back our forces.27Success may not come with rushing speed, but we shall return again28and again; and we know that by Thy grace, and by the righteousness29of our cause, our sons will triumph.30

They will be sore tried, by night and by day, without 31 rest-until the victory is won. The darkness will be rent by noise 32 and flame. Men's souls will be shaken with the violences of war. 33

For these men are lately drawn from the ways of peace. They34fight not for the lust of conquest. They fight to end conquest.35They fight to liberate. They fight to let justice arise, and36tolerance and good will among all Thy people. They yearn but for37the end of battle, for their return to the haven of home.38

Some will never return. Embrace these, Father, and receive 39 them, Thy heroic servants, into Thy kingdom. 40

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And for us at home -- fathers, mothers, children, wives, 41 sisters, and brothers of brave men overseas -- whose thoughts and 42

prayers are ever with them--help us, Almighty God, to rededicate 43 ourselves in renewed faith in Thee in this hour of great 44 sacrifice. 45

Many people have urged that I call the Nation into a single day of special prayer. But because the road is long and the desire is great, I ask that our people devote themselves in a continuance of prayer. As we rise to each new day, and again when each day is spent, let words of prayer be on our lips, invoking Thy help to our efforts.

Give us strength, too -- strength in our daily tasks, to 52 redouble the contributions we make in the physical and the 53 material support of our armed forces. 54

And let our hearts be stout, to wait out the long travail, to bear sorrows that may come, to impart our courage unto our sons wheresoever they may be.

And, O Lord, give us Faith. Give us Faith in Thee; Faith in 58 our sons; Faith in each other; Faith in our united crusade. Let 59 not the keenness of our spirit ever be dulled. Let not the impacts 60 of temporary events, of temporal matters of but fleeting moment 61 let not these deter us in our unconquerable purpose. 62

With Thy blessing, we shall prevail over the unholy forces of 63 our enemy. Help us to conquer the apostles of greed and racial 64 arrogancies. Lead us to the saving of our country, and with our 65 sister Nations into a world unity that will spell a sure peace a 66 peace invulnerable to the schemings of unworthy men. And a peace 67 that will let all of men live in freedom, reaping the just rewards 68 of their honest toil. 69

Thy will be done, Almighty God. Amen"; and 70 WHEREAS, House Resolution 2070, introduced in Congress on 71

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56 57 June 1, 2011, requires the installation in the area of the World 72 War II Memorial in Washington, D.C., a suitable plaque or an 73 inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt 74 prayed with the nation; now therefore be it 75 RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 76 Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of the State of 77 Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, urge Congress to enact House 78 Resolution 2070; and be it further 79 RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 80 transmit a duly authenticated copy of this resolution to the 81 Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, 82 the President Pro Tempore and Secretary of the United States 83

the President Pro Tempore and Secretary of the United States 83 Senate, the members of the Ohio Congressional delegation, and the 84 news media of Ohio. 85