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**RESOLUTION**

To 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. 6

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

WHEREAS, On June 6, 1944, the United States Armed Forces and 7  
their allies conducted the largest amphibious landing in world 8  
history in an effort to liberate mainland Europe from Nazi 9  
occupation during World War II; and 10

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 14  
the fall of Rome, I knew at that moment that troops of the United 15  
States and our allies were crossing the Channel in another and 16  
greater operation. It has come to pass with success thus far. 17

And so, in this poignant hour, I ask you to join with me in 18  
prayer: 19

Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our Nation, this day have 20

set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, 21  
our religion, and our civilization, and to set free a suffering 22  
humanity. 23

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 and 26  
hard. For the enemy is strong. He may hurl back our forces. 27  
Success may not come with rushing speed, but we shall return again 28  
and again; and we know that by Thy grace, and by the righteousness 29  
of 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. They 34  
fight not for the lust of conquest. They fight to end conquest. 35  
They fight to liberate. They fight to let justice arise, and 36  
tolerance and good will among all Thy people. They yearn but for 37  
the 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

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 46  
day of special prayer. But because the road is long and the desire 47  
is great, I ask that our people devote themselves in a continuance 48  
of prayer. As we rise to each new day, and again when each day is 49  
spent, let words of prayer be on our lips, invoking Thy help to 50  
our efforts. 51

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 55  
bear sorrows that may come, to impart our courage unto our sons 56  
wheresoever they may be. 57

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  
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
Senate, the members of the Ohio Congressional delegation, and the	84
news media of Ohio.	85