

House Resolution 805

By: Representatives Loudermilk of the 14th, Maxwell of the 17th, Graves of the 12th, and Battles of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating and honoring the life of Mr. Jack Davis Malone; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, since the founding of our great nation, many Americans have stepped forward
3 to serve as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty through service in the armed forces;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Jack Davis Malone was born March 22, 1922, in the Sugar Valley
6 community of Northwest Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, during the onset of World War II, Mr. Malone enlisted in the United States
8 Army, completing basic training in Oregon, desert training in Arizona, and mountain training
9 in Colorado before he was deployed with Company G, 414th Infantry regiment of the famed
10 104th Timberwolf Division which was the first Army unit to enter the European theater; and

11 WHEREAS, upon entering the war, Mr. Malone and his unit marched 25 miles from their
12 landing position in Normandy to meet their troop transport which carried them to Belgium;
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14 WHEREAS, during his first engagement in combat, Mr. Malone and his outfit advanced 500
15 yards crawling on their stomachs after being pinned down by German fire only to be halted
16 from their heroic advancement by an overwhelming attack that killed 25 soldiers including
17 the company's commander; and

18 WHEREAS, despite the devastating gunfire, the Timberwolf Division successfully drove the
19 Germans out of the area and took control of the harbor in Belgium and Holland; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Malone and his unit moved across the Siegfried Line into Germany where
21 they conducted numerous night attacks against German positions; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Malone was injured twice during the war, the first time while he was
23 serving as platoon leader and was hit by enemy forces as he advanced his unit during a night
24 attack; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Malone's second injury occurred near the end of the war when his unit was
26 ambushed by well-camouflaged German combatants as they advanced into a German town
27 without adequate cover; and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. Malone demonstrated bravery and valor by remaining with a wounded
29 soldier during the attack which ultimately resulted in his own injuries; and

30 WHEREAS, during the war, Mr. Malone saw extensive combat in Belgium, Holland, and
31 Germany, and his heroism was awarded with numerous medals and citations, including the
32 Silver Star, the Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Expert Combat
33 Infantryman's Badge; and

34 WHEREAS, Mr. Malone embodies the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something
35 greater than himself; his courageous actions have brought great distinction to himself, his
36 state, and this nation; and his extraordinary service have brought inspiration and honor to all
37 who have had the privilege of knowing him, including his wife, the late Mattie Bell Andrews,
38 and their three children, Sylvia, Nancy, and Guy.

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
40 the members of this body commend Mr. Jack Davis Malone for his unselfish and dedicated
41 service to the citizens of his country and extend their most profound appreciation for him and
42 all members of the United States military who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice
43 upon the altar of freedom.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
45 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Jack Davis Malone.