

House Resolution 720

By: Representative Hatchett of the 150th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Jasper "Jake" Webb and Bill Padgett; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Jasper "Jake" Webb and Bill Padgett were from East Dublin, Georgia, and both
3 served in the battle of D-Day at Utah Beach; and
- 4 WHEREAS, family members of these World War II veterans said that neither would have
5 approved of being recognized by themselves unless both were being named together; and
- 6 WHEREAS, American Legion Post 17 in Dublin, Georgia, was honorably renamed
7 Padgett-Webb American Legion Post 17; and
- 8 WHEREAS, both fought valiantly in the invasion of Normandy, and both sustained multiple
9 wounds in the line of duty; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Padgett was taken as a German Prisoner of War and left for dead until the
11 Russian military liberated the camp; and
- 12 WHEREAS, after his service, Padgett earned a reputation for helping anyone in his
13 community that he could, later serving others at the VA; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Webb retired in 1960 after a distinguished career in the United States Air Force
15 and went on to work in the Laurens County VA Hospital; and
- 16 WHEREAS, after his service, Webb earned a reputation for his devotion to God and work
17 ethic; and
- 18 WHEREAS, both men served honorably and humbly, are highly regarded, and deserve
19 thanks and commendation for their service and good works.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body commend Jasper "Jake" Webb and Bill Padgett for their
22 courageous service during World War II and for their numerous contributions to their local
23 community.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
26 families of Jasper "Jake" Webb and Bill Padgett.