

Senate Resolution 411

By: Senators Harbin of the 16th, Williams of the 25th, Dugan of the 30th, Dixon of the 45th and Still of the 48th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Alexander John Gallo for his service to God, his family, and
2 his country; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Alexander John Gallo's father immigrated alone to America as a teenager from
4 Italy in 1906 with just \$14.00 in his pocket; and

5 WHEREAS, Al is now 96 years old and was the youngest of his eight children, being born
6 in 1927 just before the Great Depression; and

7 WHEREAS, Al was at his father's wake when Pearl Harbor was attacked, which marked the
8 beginning of America's involvement in World War II; and

9 WHEREAS, though Al could not serve in World War II because of his young age and his
10 health, he was a patriot from his early days; and

11 WHEREAS, when all of his older brothers joined the armed forces, he left school to work
12 full time to help support his mother; and

13 WHEREAS, at 14 years of age, he worked 40 hours a week and earned 50 cents an hour
14 loading freight cars and working on machines producing macaroni; and

15 WHEREAS, he eventually went on to have his own businesses doing construction, owning
16 a taxi, and building a Shaklee nutritional business with his wife, Jane, which they still run
17 today; and

18 WHEREAS, Al and his wife, who he first met at a political meeting, have four children, 14
19 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, aside from volunteering in political campaigning work, Al has also volunteered
21 in many church ministries over the years; and

22 WHEREAS, he was a volunteer at homeless ministries in both New York City and Atlanta,
23 where people were introduced to Christ and thousands of meals were provided to people in
24 need; and

25 WHEREAS, decades ago, Al went door to door in Harlem calling people to the church and
26 participating in outdoor preaching in New York City and Jersey City; and

27 WHEREAS, in addition to teaching Bible studies in Georgia jails, Al personally passed out
28 thousands of Bibles in New Jersey as well as Georgia with the Gideons at schools, hospitals,
29 hotels, military induction centers, and on street corners; and

30 WHEREAS, all you need is five minutes with Al before you find out that he is concerned for
31 your soul and where you will spend eternity.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
33 recognize and commend Alexander John Gallo for his service to God, his family, and his
34 country.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
36 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
37 Alexander John Gallo.