## 2016 Regular Session

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17

## BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNICK

# COMMENDATIONS: Commends Edward Peter Benezech, Jr., on his service to his country in the United States Army during World War II

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To commend Edward Peter Benezech, Jr., on his service to his country in the United States
3	Army during World War II.
4	WHEREAS, Edward Peter Benezech, Jr., was born on January 17, 1919; he
5	graduated from Warren Easton High School in New Orleans and attended Louisiana State
6	University; and
7	WHEREAS, he began active duty in the United States Army on December 13, 1941;
8	he graduated from Artillery School at Fort Sill in Oklahoma; and
9	WHEREAS, he honorably served as a staff officer and a field artillery battery
10	commander during World War II; and
11	WHEREAS, on August 20, 1943, he departed for service in Africa; on November 25,
12	1943, he arrived in Naples, Italy; his tour of duty ended in Austria at the end of the war; and
13	WHEREAS, upon his return home from the war, Mr. Benezech was relieved from
14	active duty at Fort Sill on April 16, 1946; he had attained the rank of captain; his service to
15	the U.S. Army continued until his retirement in 1980 at the rank of lieutenant colonel; and
16	WHEREAS, Mr. Benezech has been recognized for his courageous leadership and
17	has received many awards and citations for his service in the Army, including the European
18	African Eastern Service Medal with five Bronze Stars and a Bronze Arrowhead, a Bronze
19	Star Medal, the Croix de Guerre with one Silver Star, the American Defense Service Medal,
20	the American Service Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal; and

1 WHEREAS, over the span of his career in the United States Army, Edward Peter 2 Benezech, Jr., earned a reputation as an outstanding soldier, a superb leader, and a 3 courageous warrior. 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 5 commend Edward Peter Benezech, Jr., for his honorable service to his country in the United 6 States Army during World War II and does hereby recognize the pride and honor that this 7 extraordinary gentleman brings to his family and friends and to the state of Louisiana. 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 9 to Edward Peter Benezech, Jr.

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