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To designate October 20, 1994, as “Leyte Landing Day”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUTIERREZ introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

JOINT RESOLUTION

To designate October 20, 1994, as “Leyte Landing Day”.

Whereas the landing at Leyte Gulf, Philippines, was a crucial turning point in the Allied Force’s victory in the Pacific Theater of Battle during World War II;

Whereas the landing of these forces was made possible by the heroism and skill of brave Filipino forces;

Whereas the landing at Leyte led to the eventual liberation of the Philippines, thus ending 3 years of occupation by enemy forces;

Whereas the liberation of the Philippines was a key and crucial step in the ultimate triumph in the Pacific;

Whereas the aerial and naval battles were led by General Douglas MacArthur and Admiral Chester Nimitz;

Whereas veterans of the United States Armed Forces and of the Filipino Armed Forces have reason to recall this event with pride;

Whereas the American public should be given every opportunity to learn more about the important contributions and remarkable sacrifices made by Filipinos on behalf of the Allied War effort and that such actions should be remembered with all appropriate dignity and respect; and

Whereas October 20, 1994, marks the 50th anniversary of the historic landing: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 That October 20, 1994, is designated as “Leyte Landing
- 4 Day” and the President is authorized and requested to
- 5 issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United
- 6 States to observe such day with appropriate programs,
- 7 ceremonies, and activities.

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