



Texas Navy Association

Historical Article



CHAPTER: XXVII

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION INSTRUCTING OUR SENATORS AND REQUESTING OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS TO USE THEIR INFLUENCE IN THE PASSAGE OF SUCH AN ACT BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AS SHALL INCORPORATE THE NAME OF COMMODORE JOHN G. TOD IN THE NAVY OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE SAME RANK HELD BY HIM IN THE TEXAS NAVY AT THE DATE OF ANNEXATION.

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas did, in the year 1857, and also in the year 1860, after full and complete investigation of the premises, commend and indorse the services and labors of Commodore John G. Tod, as entitling him to a continuation of his rank and pay in the navy of the United States, and did request the same as a souvenir of the naval interest of Texas in that great event; and

Whereas, Commodore Tod remains the only survivor of the Texas navy transferred to the United States upon annexation (he having remained some months in the United States service during the "Mexican war," and performed important services and functions in the operations against Mexico) who did not relinquish his claim to rank and pay by receiving any indemnity in lieu thereof from the

United States, and whose devotion to the Republic during her days of darkness and danger had obtained for him from the Congress of the Republic of Texas the plaudit of "Well done, thou good and faithful servant;" now, therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to use their influence in the passage of such an act by the United States Congress as shall incorporate the name of Commodore John G. Tod in the navy of the United States, in the same rank held by him in the Texas navy at the date of annexation.

SEC. 2. That the Governor of Texas be requested to cause copies of these resolutions to be forwarded to the President of the United States, and to each of the Senators and Representatives of Texas in the United States Congress.

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