

Resolved

By the Senate and house
of Representatives of the United States in
Congress assembled that the thanks of Congress
are due and are hereby tendered to Brigadier
Genl D W Hays, Major Genl W F
North May Genl G F Pillow and Brigadier
Genl James Shields, and through them
to the officers and soldiers of the regular
and volunteer corps under their command
for the gallantry and military skill
displayed at the siege and capture of the
city of Vera Cruz and the castle of San
Juan de Ulloa March 1847 - at the
storming of Cerro Gordo April 1847 - at
the desperate battles of Contreras, San Antonio
and Churubusco August 1847 - and at
the sanguinary engagements before the city of
Mexico September 1847

That the thanks of Congress are hereby tendered
to Major Genl R Patterson, and through
him to the officers and soldiers under his
command for their gallant bearing

at the Siege of Vera Cruz and capture of
the Castle of San Juan de Ulloa and at the victory
of Cerro Gordo in March and April 1847

That the thanks of Congress are due and are
hereby tendered to Maj Gen John A. Quitman
and through him to the officers and men
under ~~his~~ command for their heroism and
good conduct at the fall of Vera Cruz and
the strong Castle of San Juan de Ulloa and
at the splendid victories achieved by our
arms in the Valley of Mexico in August and
September 1847

That the thanks of Congress are due and
are hereby tendered to Maj Genls
Franklin Pierce Persifer F. Smith and Geo
Cadaillac and through them to the
officers and men under their command
for the military skill and good conduct
exhibited by them at the splendid victories
obtained by our arms ~~at Mexico~~ ⁱⁿ the Valley
and before the city of Mexico August and
September 1847

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That these victories following

each other in quick succession, and wrung
from the enemy under all circumstances, ~~create~~
~~the doubt which~~ to admire the most - the
skill and gallantry of the commanders
or the indomitable courage of the soldiers, which
prompted this band of heroes to press forward
into the heart of the enemies country, overcoming
every obstacle, scattering the armies of Mexico
like chaff before the ~~wind~~ ^{wind}, until the
most signal triumphs are crowned by the
possession of the far famed "halls of the
Montezumas"

Resolved that the President of the United
States be and he is hereby required to cause
to be struck eight gold medals with
devices emblematic of ~~the~~ ^{the} series of
brilliant actions achieved by the army
and that one be presented to each of the
Generals named in these resolutions as
a testimony of the high sense entertained
by Congress of their skill and good conduct
in the brilliant campaign of 1847

Resolved that the President of the United States
be requested to communicate to the Generals

specified, in the foregoing resolutions in such
 terms as he may deem best calculated
 to give effect to the object thereof, and that
 he be requested to cause an order to be issued
 that they be read at the head of the several
 corps of the army

Wm Smith of Congress to
 Mr. Smith

Wm Smith
 Secretary of War

Wm Smith
 Secretary of War

should

Wm Smith

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No. 17
 Joint Resolution of the
 Congress of the United States
 passed to the Senate, January 1st, 1848.
 Passed by the House of Representatives, January 1st, 1848.
 Signed by the President, January 1st, 1848.

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