

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 3232

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 8, 2008

Mr. CORNYN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION AND REQUEST FOR AWARD**  
2 **OF MEDAL OF HONOR TO JAMES MEGELLAS**  
3 **FOR ACTS OF VALOR DURING BATTLE OF**  
4 **THE BULGE.**

5 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—The President is authorized  
6 and requested to award the Medal of Honor under section  
7 3741 of title 10, United States Code, to James Megellas,  
8 formerly of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and currently of  
9 Colleyville, Texas, for the acts of valor described in sub-  
10 section (b).

11 (b) ACTION DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor referred  
12 to in subsection (a) are the actions of James Megellas on  
13 January 28, 1945, in Herresbach, Belgium, during the  
14 Battle of the Bulge, during World War II, when, as a first  
15 lieutenant in the 82d Airborne Division, he led a surprise  
16 and devastating attack on a much larger advancing enemy  
17 force, killing and capturing a large number and causing  
18 others to flee, single-handedly destroying an attacking  
19 German Mark V tank with two hand-held grenades, and  
20 then leading his men in clearing and seizing Herresbach.

21 (c) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—The award  
22 under subsection (a) may be made without regard to the  
23 time limitations specified in section 3744(b) of title 10,  
24 United States Code, or any other time limitation estab-

- 1 lished by law or regulation with respect to the awarding
- 2 of certain medals to persons who served in the Army.

