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To urge the United States Congress to issue the Congressional Gold Medal to the 65th Infantry Regiment of Puerto Rico.

WHEREAS, the Puerto Rican community has a special place in the history of the United States military; and

WHEREAS, this noble history is exemplified by the brave and steadfast service of the "Borinqueneers" of the 65th Infantry Regiment; and

WHEREAS, when called to the front in the First and Second World Wars, and again in the Korean Conflict, the men of the 65th fought courageously, and many sacrificed their lives in the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Borinqueneers were reportedly the largest bayonet battalion in the history of the U.S. military, and they made their final bayonet charge in Korea in 1951; and

WHEREAS, of all the honors that Congress can vest, the Gold Medal is the most distinguished of all, and the 65th Infantry have contributed the utmost service and dedication to their nation; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby urge the United States Congress to issue the Congressional Gold Medal to the 65th Infantry Regiment of Puerto Rico.