

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To honor and commemorate veterans of the Vietnam War on
the fifty-fifth anniversary of the first casualty of the war.

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio (the
Senate concurring):*

WHEREAS, United States Armed Forces served in Vietnam for a
period of twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Over 8,744,000 served in the United States Armed Forces
during the Vietnam War era; and

WHEREAS, Over 58,000 United States service members, and over
3,000 Ohioans, perished in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Over 300,000 United States service members were
wounded in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 600 United States service members were
held as prisoners of war during the conflict; and

WHEREAS, Efforts to recover those missing in action continue; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, in the Defense
Authorization Act of 2008, established a program to coordinate, support,
and facilitate other programs and activities of the federal government, state,
and local governments, and other persons and organizations in
commemoration of the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Veterans of the Vietnam War deserve continued
recognition for their service and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the first Vietnam War casualty recognized on the Vietnam
Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., occurred in 1956; now
therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 129th General Assembly of
the State of Ohio, mindful of the fifty-fifth anniversary of the first casualty
in the Vietnam War, honor and commemorate all who served this country
during the Vietnam War era, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit

duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of Defense, the members of the Ohio Congressional delegation, the Governor of Ohio, and the news media of Ohio.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Adopted _____, 20____