

ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 376

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WHEREAS, the official United States military dates for the Vietnam War are August 5, 1964, to January 27, 1973; and

WHEREAS, over 3,403,000 people served in the United States military in Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, over 2,594,000 people served in the United States military in South Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, over 58,209 people from the United States died as a result of the war in Southeast Asia and Vietnam from November 1, 1955, the commencement of the Military Assistance Advisory Group, to May 15, 1975, when the last United States military member left Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, over 396 Nebraskans died as a result of the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, over 94 Omaha residents died as a result of the Vietnam War, including the following:

Name, Service, Date of Death or Date Declared Dead

Adolf, Larry Eugene, USMC, May 9, 1968

Anderson, Warren Charles, ARMY, August, 15, 1970

Backhaus, Steven Eugene, USMC, December 21, 1969

Bailey, Allen Charles, USMC, March 4, 1966

Bailey, Byrle Bennett, USMC, May 25, 1969

Barney, Terence Edward, USMC, March 17, 1969

Bazar, Paul Thomas, USMC, April 21, 1969

Becker, Michael Paul, USMC, June 7, 1968

Bigley, Richard Ray, USMC, November 22, 1965

Biscamp, Marvin Lynn, ARMY, April 12, 1972

Bosiljevac, Michael Joseph, USAF, Unknown date, 1978

Bragg, Paul Joseph, USMC, July 15, 1969

Buckles, Donald Ray, ARMY, January 28, 1968

Bull, Kenneth R., ARMY, April 17, 1969

Caldwell, Larry Gail, ARMY, May 9, 1968

Cole, Muril Steven, USMC, October 1, 1969

Crayne, Kenneth Eugene, ARMY, December 1, 1970

Cunningham, Richard Ira, ARMY, April 27, 1969

Davis, John Clinton, ARMY, April 28, 1969

Doolittle, Jon Hiliare, ARMY, May 6, 1970

Farrell, Timothy Charles, ARMY, February 11, 1970

Flournoy, James Kaiser, USMC, March 31, 1968

Foley, James Williams, ARMY, January 26, 1968

Fous, James William, ARMY, May 14, 1968

Garcia, Jerry Frank, USMC, April 17, 1968

Gerry, Ronald Lee, ARMY, January 5, 1966

Goc, Paul Stephen Jr., ARMY, June 14, 1969

Griffin, Gerald Charles, NAVY, October 6, 1962

Gronborg, Martin Wayne Jr., ARMY, September 4, 1971

Haakenson, Robert W. Jr., NAVY, October 24, 1972

Hansen, Robert Greg, ARMY, August 7, 1970

Hiley, Thomas Charles, ARMY, January 31, 1968

Hunter, Henry David, ARMY, July 8, 1969

Iler, Kenneth Marvin, USMC, May 29, 1968

Jackson, Eddie Lee Jr., ARMY, November 4, 1968

Johnson, Gary Lee, ARMY, June 18, 1971

Johnson, Lane Carston, ARMY, November 11, 1968

Kavulak, John Henry, USMC, September 21, 1967

Keith, Miguel, USMC, May 8, 1970

Keller, Kenneth Lavern, ARMY, February 11, 1970

Kelley, Harvey Paul, ARMY, November 20, 1969

Kier, Larry Gene, ARMY, September 12, 1978

Klabunde, Arthur John Jr., USMC, January 25, 1968

Klabunde, John Paul, USMC, September 6, 1967

Kocanda, Jerry Joseph III, ARMY, May 21, 1969

Konwinski, Ronald Eugene, USMC, February 6, 1968

Kotrc, James Carl, ARMY, July 29, 1969

Kudlacek, Edwin Allen, ARMY, September 28, 1971

Laird, James Alan, ARMY, October 31, 1970

Lambooy, John Patrick, ARMY, September 19, 1969

Lamere, Anthony John, ARMY, July 1, 1971

Leighton, Earl Laroy, NAVY, January 17, 1969

Luedke, William, ARMY, October 28, 1968

Marchand, Wayne Ellsworth, ARMY, April 8, 1962

Marsh, Alan Richard, ARMY, June 2, 1967

Maxwell, Samuel Chapman, USAF, June 21, 1978

McAllister, Cameron Trent, ARMY, September 7, 1969

Mickna, John Ronald, ARMY, February 23, 1967

Moore, Daniel Eugene Jr., NAVY, February 22, 1967

Morrison, James Anton, ARMY, September 12, 1967

Mueller, Steven Wayne, USMC, December 22, 1967

Murphy, John Patrick, ARMY, July 22, 1968

Nachtigall, David Joseph, ARMY, February 23, 1970

Oonk, Lester Eugene, USAF, August 13, 1970

Perrin, Richard Thomas, ARMY, June 27, 1966

Pinegar, William Dennis, ARMY, October 6, 1965

Poese, Nigel Frederick, ARMY, March 20, 1969

Radil, Ronald Ludwig, ARMY, October 14, 1967

Ross, Milton Alan, ARMY, February 9, 1969

Salyards, Patrick John, USMC, December 9, 1966

Sanders, Mack Royal, ARMY, May 12, 1966

Sandstedt, Daniel Joseph, ARMY, June 19, 1967

Schmidt, Gary Russell, ARMY, September 25, 1967

Shelton, Craig Stephen, USMC, January 25, 1967

Shrader, Harold William, ARMY, August 9, 1965

Shuey, Glenn Colin, USMC, December 20, 1969

Skavaril, Thomas Joseph, ARMY, January 5, 1968

Smith, Michael Francis, ARMY, April 28, 1968

Smith, Paul Richard, ARMY, July 6, 1963

Smith, Thomas Leroy, ARMY, September 11, 1969

Sobolik, Karl David, USAF, November 26, 1966

Solomon, Wilfred L. Sr., ARMY, February 8, 1968

Spencer, Frank III, ARMY, January 23, 1970

Stolinski, James Francis, ARMY, March 26, 1968

Straus, Allen Arthur, ARMY, May 6, 1968

Utts, William Warner, ARMY, March 19, 1969

Waite, Donald Steven, ARMY, February 9, 1968

Wigton, Philip Gregory, USMC, May 9, 1968

Wilkinson, Harland Lyle, ARMY, September 26, 1969

Wilson, Michael Joseph, USMC, May 12, 1967

Wojtkiewicz, Ronald Joseph, ARMY, April 10, 1968

Wolf, Jack Morse, ARMY, March 28, 1968

Zabrowski, Louis, ARMY, December 27, 1969

Ziehe, Gerald Dean, USAF, October 21, 1968; and

WHEREAS, at least 1,763 United States military service members serving in Southeast Asia remain unaccounted for, including the following 19 from Nebraska:

Name, Service, Hometown, Date of Incident

Biber, Gerald Mack, ARMY, Benkelman, April 22, 1961

Booze, Delmar George, USMC, Papillion, January 24, 1966

Brennan, Herbert Owen, USAF, O'Neill, November 26, 1967

Brenning, Richard David, NAVY, Lincoln, July 26, 1969

Confer, Michael Steele, NAVY, McCook, October 10, 1966

Cordova, Robert James, NAVY, Boys Town, January 27, 1968

Grella, Donald Carroll, ARMY, Laurel, December 28, 1965

Kahler, Harold, USAF, Lincoln, June 14, 1969

Klingner, Michael Lee, USAF, McCook, April 6, 1970

Magers, Paul Gerald, ARMY, Sidney, June 1, 1971

Ogden, Howard Jr., USMC, Omaha, October 18, 1967

Robinson, Larry Warren, USMC, Randolph, January 5, 1970

Scheurich, Thomas Edwin, NAVY, Norfolk, March 1, 1968

Smiley, Stanley Kutz, NAVY, Sidney, July 20, 1969

Sprick, Doyle, USMC, Fort Calhoun, January 24, 1966

Stafford, Ronald Dean, USAF, Oxford, November 21, 1972

Stark, Willie E., ARMY, Omaha, December 2, 1966

Thomas, Daniel W., USAF, Danbury, July 6, 1971

Zich, Larry Alfred, ARMY, Lincoln, April 3, 1972; and

WHEREAS, at least 150,332 of the United States military service members were wounded during their service in Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, countless numbers returned home with physical and psychological injuries, including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), that were not treated; and

WHEREAS, countless numbers remain homeless and in despair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature urges the President of the United States and the United States Congress to continue efforts to account for all of the missing people from the Vietnam War, return any remains to their families, and continue to improve efforts to aid homeless, drug-dependent, and wounded veterans, including those afflicted with post-traumatic stress disorder.

2. That the Legislature acknowledges that, in the past, a less than grateful attitude was shown towards Vietnam Veterans and now belatedly recognizes their service, sacrifice, and suffering.

3. That the Legislature hereby commemorates the thirty-fifth anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War and the twenty-fifth anniversary of the healing Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., by extending to all those who served in Southeast Asia and in Vietnam a long overdue, "Welcome Home, Vietnam Veteran, Welcome Home!".

4. That the Clerk of the Legislature send a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of

Representatives, and to the United States Congressional delegation
representing the State of Nebraska.