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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING MARCH 29 AS VIETNAM VETERANS' MEMORIAL DAY IN ARIZONA.

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1 Whereas, thirty-five years ago, on March 29, 1973, the last 2,500
2 troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam; thus ending military involvement in
3 what is now the longest war in our country's history; and

4 Whereas, due to the turbulent cultural climate of the era and
5 unpopularity of the eleven-year conflict, many of the returning veterans did
6 not receive the respect and gratitude they richly deserved for serving their
7 nation so ably and honorably; and

8 Whereas, 621 men and women from the great State of Arizona made the
9 ultimate sacrifice in the defense of our country during the war; and

10 Whereas, in the spirit of pride and gratitude, it is time to honor the
11 heroic accomplishments of the 58,195 service men and women whose names are
12 listed on the Vietnam Memorial Wall; and

13 Whereas, this state desires to pay solemn tribute to our Vietnam
14 Veterans.

15 Therefore

16 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of
17 Representatives concurring:

18 1. That the Members of the Legislature proclaim March 29, 2008, and
19 each March 29 thereafter, as Vietnam Veterans' Day in Arizona and invite all
20 citizens to gratefully acknowledge this special group of veterans, both in
21 public ceremonies and in private thoughts and prayers.

22 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit a copy
23 of this Resolution to the director of the department of veterans' services.