1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021) 4 HOUSE RESOLUTION 1018 By: Hardin (Tommy) 5 6 7 8 AS INTRODUCED 9 A Resolution recognizing and honoring Vietnam War veterans for their service and sacrifice; joining a 10 nationwide celebration of "Vietnam War Veterans Day"; and directing distribution. 11 12 1.3 14 WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the last American troops were 15 withdrawn from South Vietnam, ending American involvement and 16 bringing an end to what at the time was the longest war in our 17 nation's history; and 18 WHEREAS, due to the political climate of the time and the 19 unpopularity of the war many of our returning veterans did not 20 receive the respect and gratitude they deserved. Their only sin was 21 that they served their nation with honor; and 22 WHEREAS, of the more than 58,000 names listed on the Vietnam 23 Veterans Memorial, 988 are from the state of Oklahoma. Today being 24 Vietnam War Veterans Day offers us an opportunity to express our

1	gratitude for the heroic accomplishments of Oklahomans who gave
2	their lives and all those who served with honor and dignity during
3	the Vietnam War; and
4	WHEREAS, the Oklahoma House of Representatives recognizes with
5	great pride the sacrifice of Oklahoma's Vietnam Veterans and offers
6	our gratitude for their service to our state and our nation. And it
7	is with deep appreciation that we say to you, "Welcome Home!"
8	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9	OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 58TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:
10	THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives joins the rest of our
11	nation in celebrating Monday, March 29, 2021, as Vietnam War
12	Veterans Day.
13	THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Governor,
14	the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
15	Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate,
16	the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs and the Oklahoma
17	Military Department.
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