

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 673

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A RESOLUTION to commemorate Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29, 2016.

WHEREAS, the United States of America Vietnam War commemoration gives all Americans the opportunity to recognize, honor, and thank our Vietnam Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices during the Vietnam War (November 1, 1955-May 15, 1975); and

WHEREAS, more than 9,000 organizations across America have joined with the Department of Defense as commemorative partners to honor our Nation's Vietnam Veterans, including sixty-six chapters of the Tennessee Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, this commemoration includes nine million Americans, approximately seven million living today, who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during that period, and makes no distinction between those who served in-country or in-theater or were stationed elsewhere during those twenty years who answered the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Affairs Secretary Robert A. McDonald has designated March 29th, the last day that U.S. troops were on the ground in Vietnam, as a day to honor those who have "borne the battle" and to extend gratitude and appreciation to them and their families; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commemorate Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29, 2016, in Tennessee and join with the distinguished membership of the Tennessee Society of

the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution as they observe this special day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.