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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Moving Wall is a half-size replica of the
2 Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., one of the world's
3 most sobering testaments to the great and terrible costs of armed
4 conflict; built by John Devitt, Norris Shears, Gerry Haver, and
5 other Vietnam veterans, The Moving Wall tours the country, allowing
6 Americans of all ages and backgrounds to reflect on the sacrifices
7 made by members of the United States armed forces; and

8 WHEREAS, The Moving Wall of Allen, Inc., a nonprofit
9 organization founded by Collin County veterans, is bringing The
10 Moving Wall memorial to Allen, where it will be on public display
11 from May 24 to May 30, 2003; and

12 WHEREAS, The organizers of this 2003 event have garnered
13 support from such sources as the City of Allen, Armistice Memorial
14 Post 2195 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States,
15 Harding-Blaine Post 321 of the American Legion, and a number of
16 generous local businesses, civic groups, and individuals who are
17 intent on bringing the powerful message of the memorial to their
18 community; and

19 WHEREAS, The Moving Wall's arrival in Allen will be greeted
20 by many who would not otherwise have a chance to see the Vietnam
21 Veterans Memorial; through the efforts of many dedicated
22 volunteers, Collin County veterans, along with their friends and
23 relatives, will have the opportunity to gather together in
24 remembrance, reflection, and healing; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the exhibition of The Moving Wall in
3 Allen and extend to the event's sponsors and participants sincere
4 best wishes.