

1-1 By: Smith of Harris, et al. H.C.R. No. 36  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2005;  
1-4 April 12, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-5 Administration; April 19, 2005, reported favorably by the  
1-6 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; April 19, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-7 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-8 WHEREAS, More than a quarter-century has passed since the end  
1-9 of American military involvement in Vietnam, and the men and women  
1-10 who served our nation during that era deserve a lasting tribute for  
1-11 their loyalty and patriotic service to their state and nation; and

1-12 WHEREAS, More than 3,400 Texans died while serving in  
1-13 Vietnam, and countless others, both men and women, demonstrated  
1-14 courage and dignity in that conflict and together with their fallen  
1-15 comrades merit recognition of their contributions and sacrifice in  
1-16 the form of a monument in proximity to the Capitol; and

1-17 WHEREAS, Under Chapter 443, Government Code, and rules of the  
1-18 State Preservation Board, a portion of the north Capitol grounds is  
1-19 available for new monuments, subject to legislative approval,  
1-20 specified procedural requirements, the provision of funding from  
1-21 private donors, conformity to certain size and design limitations  
1-22 and parameters, and completion on a timely basis; and

1-23 WHEREAS, Members of the house of representatives and senate  
1-24 find a commemorative structure in honor of Texans who served in  
1-25 Vietnam to be a worthy addition to the Capitol grounds and to the  
1-26 incorporation there of works that will convey to visitors a sense of  
1-27 history and utmost respect for those who have seen combat and  
1-28 otherwise demonstrated patriotic commitment in behalf of others;  
1-29 now, therefore, be it

1-30 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
1-31 hereby authorize the State Preservation Board, subject to state law  
1-32 and rules of the board, to approve and permit the construction of a  
1-33 monument on the Capitol grounds recognizing Texans who fought or  
1-34 otherwise served, and in many cases gave their lives, in the Vietnam  
1-35 War as part of this nation's armed forces; and, be it further

1-36 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward an  
1-37 official copy of this resolution to the executive director of the  
1-38 State Preservation Board.

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