

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 713

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins citizens across our nation in recognizing April 30 through May 7, 2005, as the 30th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam era; and

WHEREAS, On April 30, 1975, the last Americans withdrew from the rooftop of the United States Embassy in Saigon, signaling the end of the war in Vietnam; on May 7, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed into law a bill officially ending the Vietnam era; and

WHEREAS, From Ia Drang to Khe Sanh, from Tet to Hue, many veterans honored this nation with their dedication and their courage, and over 58,000 citizens gave the last full measure of devotion in service to their country; and

WHEREAS, Veterans of the Vietnam era served their country valiantly under difficult circumstances; they and their families are to be praised for their service, sacrifice, and devotion to duty at a time of great turmoil and uncertainty in the history of the United States; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the veterans of the Vietnam era and encourage Texans across our state to observe April 30 through May 7, 2005, as the 30th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam era; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the Vietnam veterans.

Van de Putte

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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate