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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, America's Last Patrol, Inc., advocates for
2 accelerated efforts by the United States government to locate
3 remaining POWs and MIAs from all wars and to bring them home to
4 their families; and

5 WHEREAS, The nonprofit organization especially encourages
6 the governments of the United States, Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia
7 to account for those members of the U.S. armed forces who were taken
8 prisoner or who were listed as missing in action during the Vietnam
9 War; and

10 WHEREAS, America's Last Patrol also gives important support
11 to today's veterans in a variety of ways; for those in need, it
12 seeks to provide food and transportation to VA clinics and
13 hospitals; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition to working to address veterans' physical
15 needs, the organization owns a ranch that it makes available to
16 veterans suffering from flashback depression; through sharing
17 their experiences with one another, veterans dealing with such
18 stress can often find a measure of catharsis; Cub Scouts, Boy
19 Scouts, and members of other school groups are also welcome to use
20 the ranch at no charge; and

21 WHEREAS, Desiring to commemorate, through a lasting
22 monument, the sacrifices rendered by so many members of the armed
23 forces, America's Last Patrol has created a Memorial Wall with
24 engraved plaques that pay tribute to POWs, MIAs, and deceased

1 veterans; and

2 WHEREAS, Members of America's Last Patrol promote their
3 efforts to the public through their participation in city parades
4 and festivals and all military holidays; and

5 WHEREAS, To those who have known the terrible rigors of
6 prison camps and to those who never came home to their families and
7 loved ones, Americans owe an eternal debt of remembrance, and the
8 members of America's Last Patrol have undertaken to honor this debt
9 in a real and meaningful way; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
11 Legislature hereby commend America's Last Patrol for its steadfast
12 efforts in behalf of this country's POWs and MIAs and their families
13 and extend to its members sincere best wishes for success in their
14 humanitarian endeavors; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for America's Last Patrol as an expression of high regard
17 by the Texas House of Representatives.