SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 642

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Specialist Fifth Class Clarence E. Sasser for his exemplary service to the nation as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, The Vietnam War was one of the longest military conflicts in United States history; more than three million Americans served in Southeast Asia during the war, with more than 58,000 making the ultimate sacrifice, including more than 3,400 Texans; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Sasser distinguished himself during this conflict through his exemplary courage; while serving as a medical aidman, he repeatedly braved heavy rocket and automatic weapons fire in an open rice paddy to assist casualties; despite suffering serious wounds himself, he continued to treat his fellow soldiers for many hours while under fire, and he was awarded the Medal of Honor for his conspicuous gallantry above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, The men and women who served the nation during the Vietnam War embodied the highest standards of courage, sacrifice, and devotion to duty, and Specialist Sasser's heroic actions set a lasting example that will live forever in the annals of American history; and

WHEREAS, It is truly fitting that this brave man be recognized for his patriotism and his service on behalf of the nation as Texans across the state observe Vietnam Veterans Day; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Specialist Fifth Class Clarence E. Sasser on his extraordinary service to the nation during the Vietnam War and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of gratitude and high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 28, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate