

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 649**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join Texans across the state in celebrating March 29, 2011, as Vietnam Veterans Day; and

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

**WHEREAS**, The men and women who served during the Vietnam War are among those who have defended our nation's security and ideals for more than two centuries; their selfless devotion and strength have left an indelible mark on the world; and

**WHEREAS**, In honor of the sacrifices made by those who served in Vietnam, the 81st Texas Legislature established March 29 as Vietnam Veterans Day in Texas; the Texas Legislature has also authorized the construction of a monument on the Capitol grounds to honor the Texans who served in Vietnam; and

**WHEREAS**, This monument, which has yet to be installed, will represent the culmination of the ongoing efforts of many dedicated citizens and donors and will be a permanent symbol expressing the collective reverence and respect of the people of Texas for those who served and sacrificed in that conflict; it is truly fitting that their devotion to duty and their patriotism be honored and recognized; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the members of the military who

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served the nation during the Vietnam War, recognize and encourage the efforts of those who are working to design, fund, construct, and install on the Capitol grounds a monument to honor these veterans, and call on all Texans to celebrate March 29, 2011, as Vietnam Veterans Day in Texas; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special day.

Hinojosa, Davis,  
Uresti, Van de Putte

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 29, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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