

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3007  
(Representatives Bellew, D. Johnson, Klemin, Marschall, Martinson)  
(Senators Dever, Paulson, Wobbema)

A concurrent resolution commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the United States combat operations and the release of American prisoners of war in Vietnam.

**WHEREAS**, the year 2023 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of United States combat operations and the release of American prisoners of war in Vietnam; and

**WHEREAS**, United States combat operations in Vietnam came to an end on January 27, 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, of the 3,403,100 Americans who served with honor during the Vietnam War, there were 58,220 casualties, which included 198 North Dakotans who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, of the 766 prisoners of war, 114 died while captive in Vietnam, and 591 returned home during Operation Homecoming 50 years ago, from February to April of 1973; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vietnam War left almost 1,600 Americans unaccounted for, and nine North Dakotans are still listed as missing in action; and

**WHEREAS**, today there are more than 46,000 veterans living in North Dakota, including approximately 15,000 of our sons and daughters who served during the Vietnam era; and

**WHEREAS**, these North Dakota veterans heard the call of duty, stepped in, and served relentlessly and nobly in a brutal war; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vietnam War seldom received the attention it deserves, and now, half a century later, we honor our Vietnam veterans and offer them the proper respect of a grateful state and nation; and


**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the brave men and women who served with dignity and honor during this historic time and during what was, at the time, the longest war in our country's history, let us remember them and thank them for their service;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

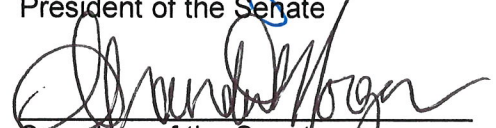
That the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly commemorates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the United States combat operations and the release of American prisoners of war in Vietnam, and further call upon the people of our great state to join in honoring and expressing gratitude to all who valiantly served our nation during the Vietnam War, and to their families and loved ones; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

  
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Speaker of the House

  
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President of the Senate

  
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Chief Clerk of the House

  
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Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023,  
at 11:35 o'clock A. M.

  
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Secretary of State