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FEBRUARY 16, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 30 of each year as "Welcome Home Vietnam
2 Veterans Day."

3 WHEREAS, The Vietnam Conflict was fought from 1961 to 1975;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The United States became involved in the Vietnam
6 Conflict because policymakers in the United States believed that
7 if South Vietnam fell to a Communist government, Communism would
8 spread throughout the rest of Southeast Asia; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1965, there were approximately 80,000 United
10 States troops in Vietnam, and by 1969, a peak of about 543,000
11 troops was reached; and

12 WHEREAS, More than 58,000 members of the United States Armed

1 Forces lost their lives in the Vietnam Conflict, and more than
2 300,000 were wounded; and

3 WHEREAS, According to the Commonwealth's military records,
4 more than 3,400 Pennsylvanians were killed in the Vietnam
5 Conflict and many more were listed as "missing in action"; and

6 WHEREAS, The uniquely divisive nature of the Vietnam Conflict
7 in the context of American history and the crossfire of debate
8 about the country's involvement in the conflict deprived many
9 members of the United States Armed Forces of public support and
10 appreciation for their patriotic service; and

11 WHEREAS, The bravery and service of our country's Vietnam
12 Conflict veterans should be recognized and honored; therefore be
13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March
15 30 of each year as "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day" and urge
16 all public schools and educational institutions to conduct
17 exercises recognizing the contributions of all those involved in
18 the Vietnam Conflict and remember the sacrifices they made for
19 their country.