## 106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. CON. RES. 134

Expressing the sense of Congress with regard to "In Memory" Day.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 16, 1999

Mr. Filner submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Expressing the sense of Congress with regard to "In Memory" Day.

- Whereas many of the individuals who served in the Armed Forces and in civilian roles in Vietnam during the Vietnam War have since died, in part as the result of illnesses and conditions associated with service in Vietnam during that war;
- Whereas these men and women, whose ultimate health conditions had a basis in their service in Vietnam during the Vietnam War, sacrificed their lives for their country in a very real sense;
- Whereas under criteria established by the Department of Defense, the deaths of these men and women do not qualify as Vietnam War deaths;

- Whereas under Department guidelines, these men and women also do not meet the criteria for eligibility to have their names inscribed on the Memorial Wall of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the District of Columbia;
- Whereas "In Memory" Day was established several years ago in order to honor the Americans who gave their lives in service to their country as a result of service in Vietnam but had not otherwise been honored for doing so;
- Whereas "In Memory" Day is now a project of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund;
- Whereas to date 633 Americans have met the criteria for eligibility to be honored by the "In Memory" Program; and
- Whereas the Americans who have been named by the "In Memory" Program are honored each year during a ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That Congress supports the goals and ideas
  - 3 of "In Memory" Day to honor the men and women of the
  - 4 United States whose deaths had a basis in their service
  - 5 in Vietnam during the Vietnam conflict and who are there-
  - 6 by true examples of patriotism and sacrifice to the Nation.

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