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H. CON. RES. 224

Calling upon the President to issue a proclamation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam era and commemorating the service and sacrifice of the men and women who, as members of the Armed Forces or as civilians, during that era served the Nation in the Republic of Vietnam and elsewhere in Southeast Asia or otherwise served in support of United States operations in Vietnam and in support of United States interests throughout the world.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 9, 1999

Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Mr. REYES, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. PITTS, and Mr. BOYD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas the United States Armed Forces conducted military operations in Southeast Asia during the period (known as

the “Vietnam era”) from February 28, 1961, to May 7, 1975;

Whereas during the Vietnam era more than 3,403,100 American military personnel served in the Republic of Vietnam or elsewhere in Southeast Asia in support of United States military operations in Vietnam, while millions more provided for the Nation’s defense in other parts of the world;

Whereas during the Vietnam era untold numbers of civilian personnel also served in support of United States operations in Southeast Asia and elsewhere in the world;

Whereas May 7, 2000, marks the 25th anniversary of the closing of the period known as the Vietnam era;

Whereas citizens throughout the United States traditionally commemorate the service and sacrifice of the Nation’s veterans on November 11th each year, the date designated by law as “Veterans Day”; and

Whereas that date in 1999 would be an appropriate occasion to begin a period for observance leading up to that anniversary by recognition and appreciation of the individuals who served the Nation in Southeast Asia and elsewhere in the world during the Vietnam era: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

3 (1) calls upon the President to issue a procla-
4 mation recognizing the 25th anniversary of the end
5 of the Vietnam era and commemorating the service
6 and sacrifice of the men and women who, as mem-

1 bers of the Armed Forces or as civilians, during that
2 era served the Nation in the Republic of Vietnam
3 and elsewhere in Southeast Asia or otherwise served
4 in support of United States operations in Vietnam
5 and in support of United States security interests
6 throughout the world; and

7 (2) encourages the American people, through
8 appropriate ceremonies and activities, to recognize
9 the service and sacrifice of those men and women.

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