

Legislation Text

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To support passage of Senate Bill 134, which would designate March 30<sup>th</sup> as Vietnam Veterans Day in Ohio.

WHEREAS, the passage of Senate Bill 134 would designate March 30<sup>th</sup> as Vietnam Veterans Day, in the State of Ohio, in honor of those who fought, died, or are still unaccounted for in the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vietnam War was fought in Vietnam from 1964 to 1975 and involved North Vietnam Army Regulars and Viet Cong in battle with the United States and the South Vietnam government; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 3,403,000 United States military troops were deployed to Vietnam. More than 58,000 members of the United States Armed Forces lost their lives and more than 153,000 were wounded in battle; and

WHEREAS, about 300,000 Ohioans fought one-third of all its living veterans, served in the Vietnam era; and

WHEREAS, upon their return home, Vietnam Veterans were never shown the respect and gratitude they deserved for serving and defending this county, due to the unpopularity of this 11 year war; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973 the last 2,500 troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam, ending military involvement in what is now the longest war in our country's history; now, therefore

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby encourage and fully support the passage of Senate Bill 134, as the heroic accomplishments of our Vietnam Veterans deserve proper recognition for their unselfish devotion and service to the great State of Ohio and this nation.