

House Concurrent Resolution 3

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Recognizes Korean veterans for their service during Vietnam War.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas the United States holds as its highest ideals freedom, democracy and self-determination,
3 and strives to spread these ideals to every man, woman and child on earth; and

4 Whereas more than three million American troops fought bravely during the Vietnam War in
5 the cause of freedom and democracy; and

6 Whereas 58,193 American soldiers were killed, more than 300,000 were wounded and 2,000
7 American soldiers are missing in action; and

8 Whereas Vietnam veterans are honored for their valiant and heroic service; and

9 Whereas the American soldier strives to be a symbol of freedom, democracy and kindness
10 around the world; and

11 Whereas Korean soldiers were sent to the Vietnam War to support American soldiers and the
12 cause of freedom at the request of the United States; and

13 Whereas 325,517 Korean soldiers served in Vietnam from 1964 until the last soldier left Saigon
14 on March 30, 1973; and

15 Whereas 5,099 Korean soldiers were killed and 10,962 Korean soldiers were injured; and

16 Whereas Korean troops were known throughout the conflict for their effectiveness and fought
17 alongside American troops in all areas of the theater; and

18 Whereas it is estimated that 20 percent of Korean veterans of the Vietnam War suffer signif-
19 icant injuries, including post traumatic stress disorder, total disability and the effects of Agent Or-
20 ange; and

21 Whereas 1,300 Korean Vietnam veterans are estimated to live in the United States, of whom
22 approximately 95 percent are American citizens; and

23 Whereas the citizens of Oregon appreciate all of the Vietnam veterans who fought for our lib-
24 erty and were willing to pay the ultimate sacrifice; and

25 Whereas the Korean veterans of the Vietnam War are especially dedicated to the ideals of
26 freedom and democracy; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

27 That we, the members of the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly, recognize and honor the
28 Korean veterans of the Vietnam War for their service to the American people and the citizens of
29 Oregon; and be it further
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31 Resolved, That we honor all veterans who fought in the Vietnam War; and be it further

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