

Submitter: Cory Brockmann

On Behalf
Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital
Construction

Measure: HB5030

I am a resident of Beaverton. I am a decorated and honorably discharged veteran of the US Army as well as the US Air Force. I am also a financial donor to the Oregon Vietnam War Memorial and, earnestly, ask for your support in funding this long, past due, memorial to our Vietnam Veterans.

SUPPORT: I ask that you approve the funding request which supports construction of the Oregon Vietnam War Memorial, State Capitol State Park, Salem.

It remains our solemn duty to remember, and never forget, the sacrifices made in service to our nation. And, it is our responsibility to educate and teach current and future generations of the sacrifices made to our state and nation in our behalf, as well as, the obligations of rightful, legal citizenship. This memorial will help to accomplish these ends.

SB319 was unanimously passed by the Oregon State Senate and House of Representatives during the 2021 legislative session whereby creating the Oregon Vietnam War Memorial and, subsequently, signed into law on July 14, 2021. The design has already been approved by the City of Salem Historic Landmarks Commission, Oregon Capitol Planning Commission, and the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission.

Approving the Oregon Vietnam War Memorial Fund funding request for 1.85 million dollars from this funding source will advance the creation and completion of this important memorial.

There are remains of Oregon service members that made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam which will never be repatriated back to Oregon or the United States. Let this Oregon Vietnam War Memorial be the lasting memorial to their service. Let your approval of this funding request be a contribution to a lasting legacy of the service members and their loved ones.

"Welcome home!"

Respectfully submitted,
Cory E. Brockmann

