

Representative Rebecca Chavez-Houck proposes the following substitute bill:

WAR VETERANS' MEMORIAL ON CAPITOL HILL JOINT

RESOLUTION

2010 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Rebecca Chavez-Houck

Senate Sponsor: Benjamin M. McAdams

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution of the Legislature expresses support for efforts to create a monument at the Utah State Capitol Complex to honor war veterans whose suffering continued after their military service.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

▶ expresses support for the creation of a memorial on the Utah State Capitol Complex grounds for veterans of foreign wars who have suffered and died from war-related injuries received during their military service; and

▶ expresses support for the memorial as a fitting tribute to those whose sacrifices continued after their military service.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, many soldiers fought and sacrificed, selflessly serving their country on foreign soil;



26 WHEREAS, many who served abroad in the United States Armed Forces experienced
27 great pain, and struggle not only from injuries sustained in battle, but also from adjusting to a
28 life permanently altered by their injuries;

29 WHEREAS, these individuals who valiantly served their nation despite their suffering
30 through the war, survived, and realized the fatal complications from their military service later
31 in life;

32 WHEREAS, the United States has established a memorial to honor those who have
33 given their lives on battlefields abroad;

34 WHEREAS, we should never forget those American military personnel who died in the
35 service of their nation during these conflicts;

36 WHEREAS, veterans who survived their military service, but whose sufferings
37 continued long after the wars ended, also merit recognition and remembrance;

38 WHEREAS, as a tribute to these veterans, a memorial should be created and housed at
39 the Utah State Capitol Complex;

40 WHEREAS, the memorial should include a list the names of Utah's injured veterans of
41 foreign wars;

42 WHEREAS, a committee should be designated to set criteria and qualifications for the
43 memorial and to review proposals for its creation;

44 WHEREAS, in consideration of the current economic climate, funding for the
45 memorial should be raised privately, with the understanding that the memorial's design and
46 location would be designated by the Capitol Preservation Board;

47 WHEREAS, many veterans of foreign wars die every year from the after-effects of their
48 service, and for them, in a very real sense, the fight is not over;

49 WHEREAS, veterans who have served, sacrificed, and paid the ultimate price merit
50 recognition and remembrance; and

51 WHEREAS, a memorial dedicated to the sacrifices made by these veterans of foreign
52 wars would more fully demonstrate the appreciation of the citizens of Utah for the service of
53 these battle-scarred veterans and remembrance of their ongoing battles:

54 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
55 expresses its support for efforts to create a memorial at the Utah State Capitol Complex to
56 honor veterans of foreign wars who have suffered, and in some cases died, as a result of their

57 military service.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature expresses support for the memorial
59 as a fitting tribute to those whose sacrifices continued after their service.

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the American
61 Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Utah Department of
62 Veteran's Affairs.

Fiscal Note

**H.J.R. 30 1st Sub. (Buff) - War Veterans' Memorial on Capitol Hill Joint
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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.
