

1 **WAR VETERANS' MEMORIAL ON CAPITOL HILL JOINT**
2 **RESOLUTION**

3 2010 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Rebecca Chavez-Houck**

6 Senate Sponsor: _____

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

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

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14 This resolution:

- 15 ▶ expresses support for the creation of a memorial on the Utah State Capitol Complex
- 16 grounds for veterans who have suffered and died from war-related injuries received
- 17 during the Vietnam War; and
- 18 ▶ expresses support for the memorial as a fitting tribute to those whose sacrifices
- 19 continued after their military service in Vietnam.

20 **Special Clauses:**

21 None

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

24 WHEREAS, many soldiers fought and sacrificed, selflessly serving their country,
25 during the Vietnam War;

26 WHEREAS, many who served in the United States Armed Forces in Vietnam
27 experienced great pain, and struggle not only from injuries sustained in battle, but also from



28 adjusting to a 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 the battlefields of Vietnam;

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

36 WHEREAS, veterans who survived their service in Vietnam, but whose sufferings
37 continued long after the war 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 Vietnam
41 War veterans;

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

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

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

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature expresses support for the memorial
57 as a fitting tribute to those whose sacrifices continued after the Vietnam War.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the American

59 Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Utah Department of
60 Veteran's Affairs.

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Fiscal Note

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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.
