

## House Resolution No. 1049

**Whereas**, it is with tremendous respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to applaud the work and mission of the Vietnam Veterans of America organization; and

**Whereas**, Chapter 794 of the Vietnam Veterans of America in Florissant, Missouri, will play a prominent role in the Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day which will take place in the city of Bellefontaine Neighbors on Saturday, March 20, 2004; and

**Whereas**, an annual gathering, Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day is an inclusive event in North Saint Louis County which will honor all military veterans, especially those who served during the Vietnam War in the 1960s and 1970s; and

**Whereas**, Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day will be held at Riverview Gardens High School on Shepley Drive in the city of Bellefontaine Neighbors; and

**Whereas**, the football field where Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day will take place is named in honor of Dale Meyerkord, the first naval officer to lose his life in the Vietnam War and one of several graduates of Riverview Gardens High School who paid the ultimate price in the fight for freedom and democracy in a distant land; and

**Whereas**, Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day will be attended by representatives from the city government of Bellefontaine Neighbors who will announce that the city will sponsor the Vietnam Combat Veterans Memorial Moving Wall from May 20 to May 25, 2004, in its only stop within the state of Missouri this year:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute the members and officers of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 794 and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of their patriotic military service and our sincerest best wishes as they observe Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day in the city of Bellefontaine Neighbors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 794 of Florissant, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Gina Walsh  
 District No. 69

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1049, adopted March 15, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker