

House Resolution 848

By: Representatives Nguyen of the 89th, Hitchens of the 161st, Williams of the 168th, Burnough of the 77th, Clark of the 147th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending all Vietnam era and Vietnam War veterans and their families and the
2 Vietnamese community in this state and commemorating the 50th honoring the National
3 Vietnam Veterans Day; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Vietnam War was fought in Southeast Asia from August 5, 1964, to May
5 7, 1975, and the United States also held an advisory role from July 1, 1958, to August 4,
6 1964, in an effort to bring an end to the Cold War; and

7 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
8 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
9 freedoms cherished by all United States citizens; and

10 WHEREAS, more than 228,000 men and women from Georgia served during the Vietnam
11 War: 1,584 Georgians were killed in action; 8,534 were wounded in action; 21 were held as
12 prisoners of war; 30 are still missing in action; and 20 Georgians' remains have been
13 repatriated; and

14 WHEREAS, Georgia has always provided its best and brightest sons and daughters to serve
15 this country during times of war and peace in the United States Army, Marine Corps, Navy,
16 Air Force, Coast Guard, Army Reserve, and National Guard; and

17 WHEREAS, all of Georgia's Vietnam era and Vietnam War veterans, including personnel
18 who were held as prisoners of war or listed as missing in action, are to be highly commended
19 for their service, sacrifice, and devotion to duty during a most trying time in America's
20 history; and

21 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is also proud of the vibrant and active Vietnamese
22 community that has flourished in the state in part as a result of the service of these veterans
23 and the success of that community; and

24 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia expresses its sincere appreciation for these individuals and
25 the contributions that they have made to the state; and

26 WHEREAS, the selfless and heroic actions of this generation stand as a shining tribute to
27 the strength of the human spirit and willpower, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that
28 the outstanding accomplishments of these remarkable and distinguished Americans and
29 Georgians be appropriately recognized.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
31 the members of this body commend and honor all Vietnam era and Vietnam War veterans
32 and their efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of
33 Georgia, America, Southeast Asia, and the world and recognize the 50th honoring the
34 National Vietnam Veterans Day.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
36 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
37 public and the press.