

Senate Resolution 787

By: Senators Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th, Payne of the 54th, Rhett of the 33rd, Wicks of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the dedication of the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project on March
2 29, 2026; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project is a profound call to unity
4 for veterans, families, and communities to recognize, honor, and memorialize the shared
5 sacrifices made by those killed in action or while in other military service during the Vietnam
6 War era; and

7 WHEREAS, this memorial monument plaza is located in Atlanta's historic Piedmont Park,
8 creating an open-air site readily accessible to individuals and groups; and

9 WHEREAS, the memorial's design lists each of the more than 240 honorees beneath the seal
10 of their hometown, symbolizing the collective sacrifice made by communities across Fulton
11 County and affirming our shared United States citizenship and national unity; and

12 WHEREAS, the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project extends beyond the
13 construction of a monument and seeks to bring communities together in the same spirit of
14 duty and service demonstrated by the honorees; and

15 WHEREAS, the organizers of the project invite public participation and support through the
16 purchase or donation of engraved commemorative bricks, allowing veterans of any era and
17 supporters from all walks of life to demonstrate their commitment to honoring this legacy for
18 generations to come; and

19 WHEREAS, the dedication ceremony for the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project
20 is scheduled to be held on March 29, 2026, at Piedmont Park in Atlanta, marking a historic
21 moment of remembrance, unity, and reflection; and

22 WHEREAS, Atlanta City Councilman Michael J. Bond has served as a champion of this
23 project on behalf of the Greater Metro-Atlanta Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America
24 Chapter No. 1118 Inc.; and

25 WHEREAS, special recognition is due to Reverend Eldson J. McGhee of Omega Holiness
26 Church, an Atlanta-based Vietnam combat veteran, president and founder of the Greater
27 Metro-Atlanta Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter No. 1118 Inc., author,
28 and respected community leader who has devoted his life to advocacy for veterans.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 celebrate the dedication of the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project on March 29,
31 2026.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the organizers of
34 the Sons of Atlanta Vietnam War Memorial Project.