

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution honoring the service and devotion our fallen armed forces veterans  
2 have made to this great nation.

3 **WHEREAS**, the brave men and women of the United States armed forces proudly serve  
4 this country and risk their lives to protect our freedom; and

5 **WHEREAS**, thousands of American men and women have selflessly dedicated their lives in  
6 service as peacemakers and peacekeepers; and

7 **WHEREAS**, 5,000 to 6,500 veterans commit suicide annually in the United States and the  
8 suicide rate for veterans is more than three times higher than for nonveterans; and

9 **WHEREAS**, combat trauma, health issues, and emotional issues caused by the combat  
10 service of our veterans have led to the premature death of thousands of this nation's veterans;  
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, greater strides must be made to demonstrate the appreciation and gratitude  
13 our loyal military veterans deserve for their service and dedication to this nation;

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF**  
15 **NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

16 That the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly honors the service and devotion our fallen armed  
17 forces veterans have made to this great nation; and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution  
19 to the President of the United States and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional  
20 Delegation.