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8 RECOGNIZING MARCH 29, 2018, AS WELCOME HOME VIETNAM
9 VETERANS DAY.

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11 WHEREAS, forty-five years ago, on March 29, 1973,
12 the last 2,500 troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam, thus
13 ending military involvement in what was the longest war in our
14 country's history; and

15 WHEREAS, it is important to honor the men and women
16 who survived and the 58,260 brave souls who fought and died;
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18 WHEREAS, since their return, these veterans have
19 contributed tremendously to their cities, communities,
20 counties, states, and nation in an effort to advance the
21 American dreams, ideas, freedoms, and aims for which they
22 fought; and

23 WHEREAS, we as citizens of the State of Alabama must
24 never forget the pain and suffering that lingers today for the
25 men and women who fought with honor and distinction, in the
26 name of freedom and democracy for all; and

1 WHEREAS, the citizens of the State of Alabama should
2 pay tribute to and uplift our sons and daughters who
3 contributed to our security and the security of the United
4 States through honorable military service in Vietnam; and

5 WHEREAS, let us honor the 1,207 men and women listed
6 on the Vietnam Memorial Wall who are from the great State of
7 Alabama, and remember them for their sacrifice and unselfish
8 devotion to duty; and

9 WHEREAS, the President of the United States has
10 proclaimed March 29th as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day as
11 part of the Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the
12 Vietnam War and encouraged all city and county governments,
13 local organizations, business leaders, and citizens to join in
14 this worthy observance by participating in appropriate
15 programs, ceremonies, and activities such as the ceremony
16 being conducted on April 7, 2018, at the Huntsville/Madison
17 County Veterans Memorial; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
19 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby recognize March 29,
20 2018, as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day, and urge all
21 Alabamians to pay tribute to Vietnam veterans on this
22 significant occasion.