

1 HJR67  
2 136292-2  
3 By Representatives Barton, Gaston and Fincher  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 09-FEB-12

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,  
3 DESIGNATING MARCH 30 AS "WELCOME HOME VIETNAM  
4 VETERANS DAY" IN ALABAMA.  
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6 WHEREAS, on February 16, 2011, the U.S. Senate  
7 adopted a measure expressing support for declaring March 30,  
8 2012, as "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day" agreeing  
9 unanimously to SR55; and

10 WHEREAS, on March 30, 1973, all U.S. troops withdrew  
11 from Vietnam under the terms of the Treaty of Paris; 38 years  
12 later, on March 30, the Senate encouraged Americans across the  
13 country to recognize Vietnam veterans for their sacrifice and  
14 demonstrate a warm welcome to these soldiers who initially  
15 returned from war to a politically divided country; and

16 WHEREAS, the Senate has agreed to set aside a day to  
17 give our Vietnam veterans a long-overdue welcome home, and  
18 Alabamians are strongly encouraged to annually observe this  
19 day with activities and events that honor these veterans for  
20 their service; and

21 WHEREAS, it is time Vietnam veterans receive the  
22 recognition they have earned and deserve; this day also  
23 provides our state and nation with an important teaching  
24 moment: Never again will our men and women serving in the

1       Armed Forces fail to receive the continuing recognition of a  
2       grateful nation for their dedicated service; now therefore,

3               BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
4       HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in recognition of the brave  
5       service nearly four decades ago of our troops and servicemen  
6       and women in the Vietnam War, we hereby designate March 30,  
7       2012, and each March 30 each year thereafter, as "Welcome Home  
8       Vietnam Veterans Day" in Alabama.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was adopted by the House 14-FEB-12.

Greg Pappas  
Clerk

Senate

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16-FEB-12

Adopted