

WHEREAS, scientific studies now completed or underway have documented a connection between such adverse health effects and exposure to toxic herbicides, chemicals, medications, and environmental hazards and conditions that existed in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, current Veteran Administrative regulations do not allow service connected disability compensation to be awarded for adverse health effects of toxic herbicides, chemicals, medications, and other environmental hazards and conditions that existed in Vietnam; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, that Congress should speedily enact legislation to compensate Vietnam veterans for adverse health effects stated above. Appropriate agencies and resources of the United States should be brought to bear in an investigation of the health and genetic complaints of Vietnam veterans exposed to toxic herbicides, chemicals, medications, and other environmental hazards and conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed to transmit certified copies of this memorial to the President of the United States, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to each Senator and Representative from Minnesota in the Congress of the United States, and to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.

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**RESOLUTION 10 — H.F.No. 1188**

*A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to conduct an in-depth investigation of the steel industry.*

WHEREAS, during the last two decades thousands of steelworkers and hundreds of communities in the industrial heartland of America have been devastated by layoffs and plant closings; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. steel industry has complained of the uncompetitive posture that it faces from foreign suppliers who are subsidized by foreign governments; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Steel Corporation has filed unfair trade practices because of unfair foreign competition against many of these foreign countries including Japan, West Germany, Italy, England, and France; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. steel industry has stated many times that steelworker labor cost was their major problem in competing with foreign steel producers; and

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WHEREAS, the United Steelworkers of America have recently conceded wages and benefits to the steel industry to insure the survival of the domestic steel industry; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Steel Corporation has in the past imported iron ore from Canada and Venezuela, and finished foreign steel from Italy, Korea, and Japan to the detriment of the American steelworker and the communities they live in, and are now planning to import semifinished steel into the United States from Scotland, which will further devastate and undermine these communities and their economies; and

WHEREAS, this action by U.S. Steel Corporation will result in a loss of 3,000 jobs immediately and possibly thousands of more jobs in Minnesota and other states; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that an immediate in-depth Congressional investigation into the business practices of the U.S. Steel Corporation and the practices of the steel companies in the United States who are importing foreign steel and iron ore into the United States that have cost thousands of American jobs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State is directed to prepare certified copies of this memorial and transmit them to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, to the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to Minnesota's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

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**RESOLUTION 11 — H.F.No. 1269**

*A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and the Republic of China that the State of Minnesota adopts the Province of Taiwan as a sister state.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

WHEREAS, the people of the Province of Taiwan have been among the most trusted of friends of the American people; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Province of Taiwan have built a prosperous, successful, and free economy, and are important trading partners of the American people; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the people of the Province of Taiwan and the people of the State of Minnesota are similar in nature and strong commercial ties

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