1985

SESSION RESOLUTIONS

ENROLLED AND DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

RESOLUTION 1 — S.F.No. 90

A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to take all possible actions to determine the fate of persons missing in action in Southeast Asia; joining with the families of those who are missing in the hope that their long wait will soon be over.

WHEREAS, on January 27, 1973, the Paris Peace Accords were signed to end American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia; and

WHEREAS, 2,483 Americans, including 50 Minnesotans, remain unaccounted for; and

WHEREAS, the sorrow, anxiety, and frustration of the families of these Americans are not relieved by the delay; and

WHEREAS, the government of the United States should ensure, through an authentic, comprehensive investigation, the return of any Americans still in Southeast Asia and to account for Americans who have perished there; and

WHEREAS, the government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam has shown increased willingness to cooperate in efforts to account for the missing Americans; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it joins with the families of the missing Americans in maintaining a constant vigil of

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anticipation and hope for a true accounting of their loved ones and the return of the remains of those who died as a result of the war.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the government of the United States should do all it can to answer the questions surrounding the status of the missing Americans, and to secure the return of the remains of the dead. It should not reject the now apparent willingness of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to cooperate in accounting for the missing and the return of remains.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Socialist Republic of Vietnam is requested to yield all information it has on the status of the missing Americans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the United States House of Representatives, the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the United States Senate, to the Minnesota Representatives and Senators in Congress and to the Permanent Representatives of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the United Nations.

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RESOLUTION 2 — S.F.No. 1231

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take immediate steps to reduce acid deposition.

WHEREAS, acid deposition is one of the most serious unaddressed environmental problems of the North American continent; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature in 1982 stated that acid deposition resulting from the conduct of commercial, industrial, and transportation operations both within and without the state poses a present and severe danger to the delicate balance of ecological systems within the state, and that the failure to act promptly and decisively to mitigate or eliminate this danger will result in untold and irreparable damage to the forest, agriculture, water, fish, and wildlife resources of the state; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature in 1982 passed this nation's first state program to control acid deposition; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota businesses and industries have reduced emissions more than 50 percent over the last ten years; and

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