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SESSION RESOLUTIONS

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RESOLUTION 6—H.F.No. 1826

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, 2,434 Americans, including 53 Minnesotans, remain unaccounted for; and

WHEREAS, the sorrow, anxiety, and frustration of the families of these men 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 American servicemen; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it joins with the families of the missing men in maintaining a constant vigil of 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 men, and to secure the return of the remains of the dead.

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.