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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard upon the occasion of displaying its Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Services from the State of New York, who have served so valiantly and honorably in wars in which this country's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace in peacetime, deserve a special salute from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend those who have served in times of active conflict, as well as those who have served in times of peace; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard upon the occasion of displaying its Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall; and

WHEREAS, The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall is a 3/5 scale of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., standing six feet tall at the center, covering approximately 300 feet in length; and

WHEREAS, The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall stands as a reminder of the great sacrifices made during the Vietnam War; it was made for the purpose of helping heal and rekindle friendships and to allow people the opportunity to visit loved ones in their hometown who otherwise may not be able to travel to Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall is part of the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard (VVB), located in Brevard County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, A grassroots, community-based organization, the VVB is a nonprofit entity that was formed and incorporated in December of 1985; and

WHEREAS, Its mission is to be an active member of the community, and has a color guard and a rifle team which participates in many local events; furthermore, VVB supports a transitional housing facility which helps veterans in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS, VVB has taken the same dedication in establishing the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall, not only in the State of Florida and New York,

but throughout all of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which these men and women served their country, and must recognize that no greater debt is owed than that owed to those who gave their lives for their beloved Nation and to those who continue to be missing in action; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited their patriotism both at home and abroad, these men and women demonstrated their love for their country and merit forevermore, the highest respect of their State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Our Nation's veterans deserve to be recognized, commended and thanked by the people of the State of New York for their service and for their dedication to their communities, their State and their Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard upon the occasion of displaying its Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard.