

ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 27

By: Reynolds, Adelson,
Aldridge, Anderson,
Ballenger, Barrington,
Bass, Bingman, Branan,
Brogdon, Brown, Burrage,
Coates, Coffee, Corn,
Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre,
Ellis, Ford, Garrison,
Gumm, Halligan, Ivester,
Johnson (Constance),
Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
Justice, Lamb, Laster,
Leftwich, Lerblance,
Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers,
Newberry, Nichols,
Paddack, Rice, Russell,
Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sweeden,
Sykes, Wilson and Wyrick
of the Senate

and

Christian, Murphey and
Ritze of the House

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag as the official symbol of the Vietnamese American community; encouraging all state and local entities to do the same; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese-American community has made positive contributions to the historical, cultural, educational, and economic prosperity of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Vietnamese-Americans remain vigilant in opposing tyranny of all forms, actively supporting human rights for all people, and celebrating the principles of democracy, justice, and tolerance upon which this nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, the flag of the former Republic of Vietnam, with three red stripes upon a field of yellow, dates back to 1948 and has been and will continue to be a symbol of resilience, freedom, and democracy to many Vietnamese-Americans; and

WHEREAS, the flag of the former Republic of Vietnam is an important symbol in the history of Vietnamese-Americans and is known as the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Oklahoma's Vietnamese-Americans embrace the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag as a symbol of the Vietnamese-American community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature formally recognizes the Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag as the official symbol of the Vietnamese American community, encourages its display and supports their efforts to promote freedom and democracy.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature encourages all state and local government entities to take action formally recognizing the yellow flag with three red stripes as the official flag of the Vietnamese-American community.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Vietnamese-American Community.

Adopted by the Senate the 11th day of May, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 14th day of May,
2009.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives