

ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3

By: Corn, Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Ballenger,
Barrington, Bass, Bingman,
Branan, Brogdon, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Coffee,
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, Reynolds, Rice,
Russell, Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sweeden,
Sykes, Wilson and Wyrick of
the Senate

and

Brannon of the House

A Concurrent Resolution honoring Bobby Taylor's
military career and service to veterans; mourning his
loss; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Bobby LaFaye Taylor was born April 14, 1945. A
longtime resident of the Panama/Poteau, Oklahoma, area, Bobby served
in the United States Army from July 30, 1965, to July 29, 1971; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Taylor served in Vietnam for two tours for a
total of one year, ten months, and 29 days. While serving in

Vietnam, Bobby was awarded the Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and three Bronze Stars. Bobby also received the Good Conduct Medal twice and was awarded the Expert Rifle Medal. On one of his tours in Vietnam, Bobby served as a scout/sniper; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Taylor joined the Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club in March 1990. Bobby was very active in this club and spent a great deal of his personal time and funds in assisting veterans of all wars with regard to their problems, including assisting them with Veterans Administration (VA) claims. At the time of his death, Bobby was still an active member of Chapter "G" of the Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club and Sergeant at Arms for the State of Oklahoma Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Taylor also served as Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sarge Taylor Post 10619 in Panama, Oklahoma. Bobby was always available at local schools on Veterans Day to talk to student bodies and children concerning his opportunity to serve his country and his pride in other veterans who served and sacrificed for their country. Bobby's patriotism was always exhibited foremost at all times; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Taylor was instrumental in the construction and dedication of the POW/MIA Memorial at Lake Wister in LeFlore County, Oklahoma, which was dedicated in April 2006. This memorial has a large POW/MIA emblem and a POW/MIA flag which flies 24 hours a day throughout the year. It is maintained by Chapter "G" of the Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club, State of Oklahoma. It was Bobby Taylor's vision, and it was through him that the POW/MIA Memorial was constructed; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Taylor died on November 13, 2006. Bobby was much loved by all of his brothers in the Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club throughout Oklahoma and the remainder of this country. At his funeral, hundreds of veterans on motorcycles were present. There were mourners from both the Atlantic and Pacific Coast states, as veterans came from South Carolina and California.

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 honors Bobby Taylor's military career and service to veterans.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature joins veterans from throughout the state and nation in mourning the loss of Bobby Taylor.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Bobby Taylor's daughter, Shannon LaFaye Taylor; Hal W. Davis, the Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sarge Taylor Post 10619 in Panama, Oklahoma; and Chapter "G" of the Viet Nam Veterans Motorcycle Club.

Adopted by the Senate the 16th day of March, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 19th day of March, 2009.

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of Representatives