

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1
2 WHEREAS, Philanthropist George P. Mitchell has demonstrated
3 exceptional patriotism and generosity through his support for the
4 Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument; and

5 WHEREAS, A member of the Greatest Generation, Mr. Mitchell
6 served his country in the United States Army Corps of Engineers
7 during World War II; he became the chair and chief executive officer
8 of Mitchell Energy and Development Corporation, and he and his
9 wife, the late Cynthia Mitchell, established the Cynthia and George
10 Mitchell Foundation in 1978; since its inception, the foundation
11 has made significant donations to a wide variety of causes, among
12 them the Vietnam Veterans Monument in Austin; and

13 WHEREAS, The construction of the monument was authorized in
14 2005 by the 79th Texas Legislature with the passage of House
15 Concurrent Resolution 36, authored by Representative Wayne Smith
16 and Senator Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa; the groundbreaking for the
17 monument was held on the State Capitol grounds on March 25, 2013;
18 the completed monument will pay tribute to the 3,417 Texans who gave
19 their lives for their country while serving in the Vietnam War, as
20 well as to those who returned, often to face significant challenges
21 as a result of their battlefield experiences; moreover, the
22 monument will reflect the ethnic diversity of the troops and their
23 common devotion to duty, honor, and country; and

24 WHEREAS, Through his commitment to the creation of an

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1 enduring memorial to the service and sacrifice of Texas veterans of
2 the Vietnam War, George Mitchell has earned the gratitude of his
3 fellow citizens, and it is indeed fitting to recognize his
4 exceptional contributions to our state and nation at this time;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
7 hereby commend George Mitchell for his generous support of the
8 Texas Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument through the Cynthia and
9 George Mitchell Foundation and extend to him sincere appreciation
10 for his many philanthropic endeavors; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Mr. Mitchell as an expression of high regard by the
13 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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David Dewhurst
President of the Senate

Joe Straus
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 35 was adopted by the Senate on May 8, 2013.

Patsy Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 35 was adopted by the House on May 9, 2013.

Robert Honey
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

18 MAY '13
Date

RICK PERRY
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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Secretary of State