On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HCR39

Chair Bowman, Vice-Chair Drazen, Vice-Chair Pham and Committee Members:

My Name is Brian Gornick. I am an Iraqi Freedom veteran. I proudly served in the United States Army Infantry for 11 years. When I came home there were different banners welcoming us home, freeway exits were closed to get us there quicker and make us feel just a little more important at that moment in time.

History did not pay the Vietnam veterans the same courtesy. There was not any fanfare for those returning during Vietnam or banners in remembrance of those fallen. This roadside tribute is overdue to the young men that served in the Vietnam War and perished at such a young age.

I am in support of this bill HCR-39. It is long overdue to recognize those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Vietnam War so we could be standing here discussing this today! Why do we honor some and not all the veterans that gave their lives for our country and way of life! Argumentatively, you cannot say one did more than the other, all 18 servicemen gave all they had!