

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, petition of Raymond L. Flynn for adoption of resolutions by the House of Representatives urging the President of the United States and the members of Congress to establish a full scale congressional commission in order to hold hearings to establish the status of military personnel who are still listed as missing in action as the result of military involvement in the Indo-China area. Rules (House).

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Four.

RESOLUTIONS URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO ESTABLISH A FULL SCALE CONGRESSIONAL COMMISSION IN ORDER TO HOLD HEARINGS TO ESTABLISH THE STATUS OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES WHO ARE STILL LISTED AS MISSING IN ACTION AS THE RESULT OF OUR MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN THE INDO-CHINA AREA.

1 *Whereas*, on August 15, 1973, the United States government  
2 formally ended its military involvement in the Indo-China Area  
3 thereby bringing to a close a period in which our government  
4 unstintingly gave of its resources and manpower to the South  
5 Vietnam, Cambodian and Laos governments in the Vietnam War,  
6 so called; and

7 *Whereas*, During this period of rejoicing over the end of our  
8 military involvement in this area it is well that we remember that  
9 at the present time there are approximately 1300 American men  
10 missing in action because of this involvement; and

11 *Whereas*, Since the distraught families and friends of these  
12 men have been trying to no avail to get some information as to  
13 their existence, it now behooves every American and free people  
14 everywhere to use their influence on the North Vietnam  
15 Government in Hanoi to make public all information it has on  
16 these men and to render all possible assistance in gathering as  
17 much information as possible about them; therefore be it

18 *Resolved* That the Massachusetts House of Representatives

19 respectfully urges the President of the United States to use the  
20 influence of his office to assist in establishing the status of the  
21 men that are missing in action because of our recent involvement  
22 in the Indo-China area; and be it further

23 *Resolved* That the Massachusetts House of Representatives  
24 requests the members of the Congress of the United States to use  
25 their good offices in assisting to secure this information by  
26 establishing a congressional committee to hold hearings and to do  
27 any other acts which they deem necessary to carry out  
28 purpose; and be it further

29 *Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded by  
30 the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the  
31 United States, to the presiding officer of each branch of Congress  
32 and to each member thereof from this Commonwealth.