

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to recognize United States troops who served in
2 Honduras from 1981 to 1992.

3 **WHEREAS**, the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly believes military members and veterans
4 who serve or have served in hostile environments should be recognized; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the United States military maintained a presence in Honduras throughout the
6 1980s and 1990s, providing training and conducting military exercises with the host nation; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the presence of the United States troops served as a deterrent to aggression in
8 the region and as a means of support for democratic values through civil action in Honduran
9 communities; and

10 **WHEREAS**, United States troops were equipped with live ammunition and assisted the
11 Honduran military in training and combat support; and

12 **WHEREAS**, United States troops experienced hostile fire and imminent danger; and

13 **WHEREAS**, at least one United States service member received a purple heart because of
14 terrorist activity; and

15 **WHEREAS**, United States troops lost their lives while in Honduras due to terrorist activity
16 and hazardous circumstances;

17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE**
18 **HOUSE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

19 That the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges Congress to issue an Armed Forces
20 Expeditionary Medal, or similar recognition of having served in an area of hostility, to all United
21 States troops who served in Honduras from 1981 to 1992; and

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
23 to the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, the Majority and Minority
24 Leaders of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the North
25 Dakota Congressional Delegation.