## A Senate resolution

honoring Chong Lee Herr.

**WHEREAS,** Chong Lee Herr was born on June 8, 1943, in Samneau, Houaphanh, Laos, to father, Va Chia Herr, and mother, Mim Thoj; and

WHEREAS, Herr married his wife, Eng Lee, in December 1962; and

WHEREAS, Herr received a basic education under military training and from 1965 to 1975, during the Secret War in Laos, he served under Colonel Lee Lao in Royal Lao's Army Region 2, Branch 26, and received the rank of Lieutenant; and

**WHEREAS,** after the Secret War in 1979, Herr and his family escaped Laos by crossing the Mekong River to Thailand and spent four months in the Ban Vinai Refugee Camp; and

**WHEREAS,** he arrived in the United States in Santa Ana, California, in October 1979 and worked in a manufacturing company there for five years; and

**WHEREAS,** Herr and his family then moved to Fresno in 1981 and to Milwaukee in 1992, where he and his wife currently reside; and

**WHEREAS**, he is currently the owner of an Asian American retail on Forest Home Avenue in Milwaukee; and

**WHEREAS**, Herr and his wife have three children, four grandsons, and ten granddaughters; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it honors Chong Lee Herr for his outstanding service to his country and community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by the Secretary's signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Chong Lee Herr.

Cal R. Ludeman Secretary of the Senate Paul E. Gazelka Chair, Senate Committee on Rules and Administration

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