

A Senate resolution

honoring the service of Jou Chue Her.

**WHEREAS**, those who serve in the United States armed forces are to be commended for their heroic service in defense of our country and in the spread of freedom and democracy throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Jou Chue Her enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1961 and was assigned to the Special Guerilla Unit before being sent to Ho Hien, Thailand, in 1962 for six months of basic training; and

**WHEREAS**, upon completing his training, Her immediately started his tour of duty with a reconnaissance unit, serving from 1962 to 1966. Her's unit worked along the Ho Chi Minh trail that ran through the jungles of Laos and was heavily involved with infiltrating the North Vietnamese Army and relaying critical information on the army's movements and whereabouts. Information gained by Her's unit was used by both the United States and Hmong military forces to coordinate attacks on the North Vietnamese Army; and

**WHEREAS**, Her's tour ended in 1966, after which he immediately enrolled in civilian training and began working for USAID. He held a position as a warehouse manager for eight years, and, during his tenure with USAID, Her's responsibilities included maintaining and managing food, medicine, and clothing supply inventory in Long Chien, Laos, and ensuring that sufficient supply shipments were properly loaded and dropped at remote stations in northern Laos. The supplies Her oversaw were used to sustain soldiers and civilians who were trapped in the most remote and inaccessible locations in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, Her served the United States until the end of the war, where he lost a number of close friends and family members due to the conflict. In addition to his military service, Her worked as a social worker in Wisconsin, helping to resettle Hmong immigrants until the late 1980s when he became unable to work; and

**WHEREAS**, Her is survived by loving family, including his wife, Ka Yang Her, a brother, a sister, three sons, a daughter, and 14 grandchildren; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it recognizes the service of Jou Chue Her.

**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 the family of Jou Chue Her.

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