

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1275

Sponsors: Representatives Smith; Alphin, Bowman, J. Brown, Church, Culp, DeVane, Dickson, Ellis, Flaherty, Gardner, Hightower, Hill, Howard, Justus, McCrary, McLawhorn, Nichols, Nye, Redwine, Richardson, Spears, Sutton, Warner, Weatherly, Wilkins, and C. Wilson.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

May 6, 1993

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO  
2 RELEASE MIA AND POW INFORMATION.

3 Whereas, there are at least 2,273 American servicemen and civilians who  
4 have yet to be accounted for in southeast Asia as a result of the aftermath of the war in  
5 Vietnam and southeast Asia; and

6 Whereas, 56 of those unaccounted for in southeast Asia are North Carolinians  
7 whose names, hometowns, branch of service and date of capture or loss are as follows:

8	NAME	HOMETOWN	BRANCH OF SERVICE	DATE OF LOSS
10	Robert Douglas Avery	Morganton	Marine Corps	May 3, 1968
11	Harry John Belknap	Jonas Ridge	Navy	June 23, 1966
12	Murray Lyman Borden	Goldsboro	Air Force	Oct. 13, 1966
13	Eric Parker Brice	Rocky Mount	Navy	June 4, 1968
14	Earl Carlyle Brown	Stanley	Air Force	Nov 24, 1969
15	Edward Dean Brown Jr.	Charlotte	Navy	July 29, 1965
16	Wilbur Ronald Brown	Wilmington	Air Force	Feb. 3, 1966
17	James Edward Butler	Buies Creek	Army	Mar 20, 1970
18	Franklin Harlee Canup Jr.	Concord	Navy Jan. 14, 1967	
19	Fred Lee Clarke	Troutman	Air Force	Dec. 13, 1968
20	William Clifton Clay III	Henderson	Marine Apr. 12, 1967	

1	Glen Richard Cook	Charlotte	Air Force	Oct. 21, 1969
2	Andrew Johnson Craven	Wilmington	Army	May 12, 1968
3	John Hunter Crews III	Asheville	Air Force	May 22, 1968
4	Fredrick Lewis Cristman	Salisbury	Army	Mar. 19, 1971
5	Robert Lee Curlee Jr.	Monroe	Army	June 10, 1965
6	Donald Vance Davis	Salisbury	Navy	July 25, 1967
7	Edgar Felton Davis	Goldsboro	Air Force	Sept. 17, 1968
8	Carol Louis Doughtie	Tarboro	Navy	June 10, 1965
9	John G. Gardner	Hot Springs	Marine	June 3, 1967
10	Robin F. Gatwood Jr.	Hickory	Air Force	April 2, 1972
11	Paul Edwin Gore	Faison	Navy	Oct. 2, 1969
12	Connie Mack Gravitte	Ca-Vel	Air Force	June 17, 1966
13	Fredrick M. Hall	Waynesville	Air Force	April 12, 1969
14	Joseph N. Hargrove	Mt. Olive	Marine	May 15, 1975
15	Harold Lee Harris	Durham	Army	Oct. 12, 1966
16	Larry Gene Harrison	Williamston	Army	Feb. 26, 1971
17	Luther Harris Howard	Hamlet	Army	June 30, 1967
18	Carter A. Howell	Fayetteville	Air Force	March 7, 1972
19	Litchfield Patterson Huie	Warsaw	Navy	Feb. 27, 1967
20	Larry C. Jamerson	Rosman	Army	April 21, 1968
21	William D. Johnson	Rocky Mount	Army	Jan. 19, 1968
22	Charlie Gray Lewis	Fayetteville	Army	May 17, 1967
23	Larry Gene Lewis	Asheville	Navy	Feb. 27, 1971
24	James M. Luttrell	Fayetteville	Army	May 10, 1971
25	John Lewis McDaniel	Gibsonville	Air Force	April 26, 1968
26	Thomas Eugene Meadows	Hiddenite	Air Force	Oct. 13, 1966
27	Charles Worth Millard	Wilson	Army	April 19, 1968
28	Jerry L. Moore	Cleveland	Army	Feb. 16, 1969
29	Edwin E. Morgan	Salisbury	Air Force	March 13, 1966
30	Larry K. Morrow	Lowell	Army	May 29, 1972
31	Dennis William Omelia	Smithfield	Army	Jan. 3, 1971
32	Edwin D. Palmgren	Winston-Salem	Air Force	April 22, 1968
33	Bunyan Durant Price	Belmont	Army	May 2, 1970
34	Ralph Joseph Reno	Fayetteville	Army	July 3, 1966
35	Donald Monroe Shue	Kannapolis	Army	Nov. 3, 1969
36	Robert Milton Staton Jr.	Jamesville	Army	Nov. 11, 1967
37	William Carl Sutton	Goldsboro	Air Force	Jan. 28, 1970
38	Wilbert Walton	Fayetteville	Army	Jan. 3, 1970
39	Jimmy L. Watson	Lucama	Army	March 13, 1968
40	Melvin Lee Weaks	Concord	Army	Aug. 18, 1971
41	Phillip Rogerson Wellons	Raleigh	Air Force	Aug. 17, 1970
42	George Henery Wilkins	Goldsboro	Navy	July 11, 1966
43	James R. Williams	Charlotte	Air Force	Dec. 29, 1967
44	Wayne V. Wilson	Thomasville	Marine	July 2, 1967

1 Walter Sutton Wood                      Ft. Bragg                      Navy                      May 2, 1966

2                      Whereas, there is a body of credible evidence suggesting that live Americans  
3 or identifiable remains of Americans remain in southeast Asia; and

4                      Whereas, the executive branch of the United States Government and the  
5 United States Congress have declared that resolution of this issue is of the "highest  
6 national priority"; and

7                      Whereas, the agencies of the United States Government, including the  
8 Department of Defense and the Defense Intelligence Agency, have had since the official  
9 termination of hostilities in May of 1975 to resolve these issues; and

10                     Whereas, the Department of Defense has created and maintained an  
11 unnecessary veil of secrecy and ignorance by classifying most of the available  
12 information concerning live sightings, status reports, and other data relating to those  
13 who are still missing, the declassification of which should not compromise resources,  
14 means, methods, and identities of intelligence operatives; and

15                     Whereas, it would appear that promulgating a classified plan referred to as a  
16 "road map for normalization of relations" between the United States, Laos, Cambodia,  
17 and Vietnam, the United States government appears to be poised to  
18 "normalize" relations with those governments in spite of the unresolved issues  
19 concerning prisoners of war, those missing in action, and the repatriation of the remains  
20 of those Americans who made the ultimate sacrifice;

21 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

22                     Section 1. The General Assembly urges the President of the United States, by  
23 executive order, to declassify information, data, and intelligence pertaining to all  
24 matters relative to these issues, except for that data or information which would reveal  
25 the means, methods, and identities of intelligence operatives. The General Assembly  
26 further urges that the respective branches of the armed services be assigned to resolve  
27 these issues, that any and all future remains returned from southeast Asia be placed, for  
28 purposes of identification, with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., and  
29 that normalization of relations with those countries of southeast Asia be deferred until  
30 such time as the issues identified in this resolution are satisfactorily and adequately  
31 addressed.

32                     Sec. 2. The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this resolution  
33 to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the  
34 Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the  
35 North Carolina congressional delegation.

36                     Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.