

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 323

By Stevens

A RESOLUTION to honor and commemorate the meritorious actions of Hospitalman Third Class Gary L. Barnes during the Vietnam War.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we specially recognize and pay tribute to those honorable veterans who laid their lives on the line for this great nation and State; and

WHEREAS, one such distinguished veteran is Hospitalman Third Class Gary L. Barnes of the United States Navy and from Bruceton, Tennessee, who was awarded the Silver Star by the President of the United States for his conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against a hostile force; and

WHEREAS, with complete disregard for his own safety, Hospitalman Barnes moved throughout the hazardous battlefield, treating one casualty after another and supervising their evacuation to a secure area while under fire; and

WHEREAS, his prompt and fearless actions inspired all who observed him and were instrumental in saving the lives of two Marines and preventing further injury or possible death to others; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the fiftieth anniversary of this courageous veteran's heroic efforts on the battlefield in Vietnam; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commemorate the selfless and meritorious actions of Hospitalman Third Class Gary L. Barnes during the Vietnam War and offer our thanks for a dangerous job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.