Relating to the Vietnam War, to veterans and their families, and to the Vietnam War memorial entitled "The Moving Wall."

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the residents of the state should be made aware that the Vietnam War memorial entitled "The Moving Wall" will be visiting seven cities in the state between May and July of 2006; and

WHEREAS a disproportionately high number of veterans of the Vietnam War live in the state, and, as a result, the residents of the state may have a better understanding of the Vietnam War and the brave individuals who gave their lives during the war; and

WHEREAS the residents of Alaska will achieve an even better understanding of veterans and veterans' issues if they visit "The Moving Wall";

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature encourages the citizens of the state to take steps to achieve a better understanding of the Vietnam War and of veterans' issues in general; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests and encourages the citizens of the state and representatives of all public and private agencies in
the state to visit "The Moving Wall" while it is in the state; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature declares May 19, 2006, through July 22, 2006, "The Summer of Honor and Season of Gratitude" to honor those who gave their lives in Vietnam and to honor all of America's veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices.