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The Honorable Joshua Revak
Chair Senate State Affairs Committee
State Capitol, Room 125
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Senator Joshua Revak:

On behalf of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA), I am writing to express support for SB 170 Naming Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Memorial Bridge.

This is a salute to the pilots that served with honor and valor. These pilots not only served as combat support, they also served as medevac for their wounded brethren. The life expectancy for a Vietnam pilot was 4 weeks. It is unfortunate that 2202 pilots never made it home. This legislation will undoubtedly pay the much deserved respect to the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots. Therefore, I offer this letter of support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Torrence W. Saxe".

TORRENCE W. SAXE Maj. Gen. AKNG
The Adjutant General - Alaska