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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 14

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Commending Vietnam War veterans for  
6 their efforts in the rural areas of the  
7 state and condemning the U.S. News &  
8 World Report Magazine for inaccurately  
9 representing the circumstances of  
10 Vietnam veterans living in those rural  
11 areas.

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

13 WHEREAS many Vietnam-era veterans reside in the rural areas of the  
14 state; and

15 WHEREAS these veterans are making a positive and productive contribu-  
16 tion to the economic and social life of the state; and

17 WHEREAS some Vietnam-era veterans living on the Kenai Peninsula were  
18 recently approached by staff from the U.S. News & World Report Magazine  
19 because the magazine wished to do a story that the veterans were led to  
20 believe would be an accurate and positive portrayal of their lives in the  
21 state; and

22 WHEREAS the magazine article, published March 12, 1984, contains many  
23 inaccuracies and wrongfully portrays Vietnam-era veterans living in rural  
24 areas of the state as poorly adjusted isolationists living under primitive  
25 conditions; and

26 WHEREAS in reality the Vietnam-era veterans in rural areas of the  
27 state are leading commendable lives similar to those led by other rural  
28 residents of the state;

29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that Vietnam-era

1 veterans living in rural areas of the state are commended for their posi-  
2 tive and productive contributions to the state and the U.S. News & World  
3 Report Magazine is condemned for its sensationalist and highly inaccurate  
4 article on the lives of those veterans.

5 A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to the publishers and editors  
6 of the U.S. News & World Report Magazine with a request that the magazine  
7 print the resolution in response to the March 12, 1984, article on Alaskan  
8 Vietnam-era veterans.