

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Virgil Ray Hudnall for his years of dedicated service to his country and his state.

WALKER, MERRITT

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Virgil Ray Hudnall
2 for his years of dedicated service to his country and his state.

3 *Whereas, Born on April 1, 1926, Virgil Ray Hudnall served*
4 *his country in the United States Army during World War II, the*
5 *Korean War, and the Vietnam War;*

6 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall is one of an estimated 33,890*
7 *three-war veterans alive today;*

8 *Whereas, All Three Wars, a veterans' organization, lists*
9 *only one other Indiana resident as a member;*

10 *Whereas, Because of his great love for and commitment to*
11 *this country, Virgil Ray Hudnall spent a large portion of his life*
12 *away from his beloved family serving his country;*

13 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall's military career began as an*
14 *assignment to the 310th Infantry, of the 78th Lightning Division,*
15 *in February 1945;*



1 *Whereas, During WWII, Virgil Ray Hudnall experienced*
2 *daily combat in Germany from March 1945 until the conclusion*
3 *of the war on May 8, 1945;*

4 *Whereas, During his service in WWII, Virgil Ray Hudnall*
5 *spent his 19th birthday manning a Browning Water Cooled*
6 *machine gun in a foxhole along the Sieg Canal;*

7 *Whereas, Also during WWII, Virgil Ray Hudnall captured*
8 *two German soldiers and turned them over to a POW camp*
9 *unharmred;*

10 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall was Honorably Discharged*
11 *from the U.S. Army on July 31, 1946;*

12 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall was awarded the Good*
13 *Conduct Medal, Army Occupational Medal, European African*
14 *Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, and the WWII Victory Ribbon;*

15 *Whereas, After reenlisting with the Army, Virgil Ray*
16 *Hudnall was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant;*

17 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall commanded the G2 Division*
18 *of the 40th Infantry Headquarters during the Korean War;*

19 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall began serving in Vietnam in*
20 *July 1972 and was assigned to the MACV Advisory Group,*
21 *advising South Vietnamese Training Command;*

22 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall was again Honorably*
23 *Discharged from the U.S. Army on June 30, 1976, at the rank*
24 *of Lieutenant Colonel; and*

25 *Whereas, Virgil Ray Hudnall's selfless acts of courage*
26 *throughout these three wars has earned him the title of*
27 *American hero: Therefore,*



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*Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

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SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate wishes to recognize the commitment to service displayed by Virgil Ray Hudnall in the United States Army by dedicating more than 25 years of his life to serving and defending his country to the best of his abilities.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Virgil Ray Hudnall and his family.

