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H. R. 3293

To amend the law that authorized the Vietnam Veterans Memorial to authorize the placement within the site of the memorial of a plaque to honor those Vietnam veterans who died after their service in the Vietnam war, but as a direct result of that service.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ADDITION OF COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE, VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL.

Public Law 96-297 (94 Stat. 827; 16 U.S.C. 431 note), which authorized the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the District of Columbia, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“SEC. 5. PLAQUE TO HONOR OTHER VIETNAM VETERANS WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF SERVICE IN THE VIETNAM WAR.

“(a) **PLAQUE AUTHORIZED.** The American Battle Monuments Commission is authorized to place within the Vietnam Veterans Memorial a suitable plaque containing an inscription intended to honor those Vietnam veterans who died after their service in the Vietnam war, but as a direct result of that service, and whose names are not otherwise eligible for placement on the memorial wall.

1 “(b) SPECIFICATIONS.Ð The plaque shall be three
2 feet by three feet in size and shall bear an inscription pre-
3 pared by the American Battle Monuments Commission.

4 “(c) RELATION TO COMMEMORATIVE WORKS ACT.Ð
5 Except as provided in subsection (a), the Commemorative
6 Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.) shall apply to the
7 design and placement of the plaque within the site of the
8 Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

9 “(d) CONSULTATION.Ð In designing the plaque, pre-
10 paring the inscription, and selecting the specific location
11 for the plaque within the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the
12 American Battle Monuments Commission shall consult
13 with the architects of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial
14 Fund, Inc.

15 “(e) FUNDS FOR PLAQUE.Ð Federal funds may not
16 be used to design, procure, or install the plaque.

17 “(f) VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL DEFINED.Ð In
18 this section, the term ‘Vietnam Veterans Memorial’ means
19 the structures and adjacent areas extending to and bound-
20 ed by the south curb of Constitution Avenue on the north,
21 the east curb of Henry Bacon Drive on the west, the north
22 side of the north Reflecting Pool walkway on the south
23 and a line drawn perpendicular to Constitution Avenue
24 200 feet from the east tip of the memorial wall on the
25 east (this is also a line extended from the east side of the

1 western concrete border of the steps to the west of the
2 center steps to the Federal Reserve Building extending to
3 the Reflecting pool walkway). This is the same definition
4 used by the National Park Service as of the date of the
5 enactment of this section, as contained in section
6 7.96(g)(1)(x) of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations."

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