

Senator Richard Marcellais
Senate District 9
Testimony for HCR 3005

Chairman Luick members of the Senate Agriculture Veterans Affairs Committee for the record my name is Richard Marcellais, Senator from District 9.

I am here today to testify in favor of HCR 3005 regarding the inclusion on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall the names of the 74 lost crew members of the U.S.S. Frank E. Evans.

I am a proud Vietnam Veteran and wear this wrist ban to remind myself of the over 55,000 Vietnam Veteran Brothers & sisters lost during the Vietnam War. I was stationed in Vietnam from November 1968 to November 1969 on June 3, 1969 when the U.S.S. Frank E Evans collided with the HMAS Milborn in the South China Sea resulting in the deaths of 74 Vietnam Veteran brothers including one from Fessenden and one from Grand Forks ND.

Chairman Luick, members of the Senate Agriculture Veterans Affairs Committee, I am requesting a do pass on HCR 3005 and I stand for any question.