

# Vietnam Veterans of America California State Council



## RESOLUTION

By Vietnam Veterans of America, California State Council

### *Missing In America Project*

*Whereas,* On June 7, 2008, at the California State Council Convention a resolution was introduced to the Veterans Affairs Committee recommending the California State Council's endorsement of the Missing In America Project.

*Whereas,* The Missing In America Project (MIAP) was launched nationwide in January 2007 and is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation.

*Whereas,* The purpose of the Missing In America project is to locate, identify and inter the unclaimed remains of American veterans; to provide honor and respect to those who served this country by securing a final resting place for these forgotten heroes.

*Whereas,* The initial focus of the MIAP will be a massive, nationwide effort utilizing a large number of volunteers. Local, state and national laws must be followed in the identification, claiming process and proper interment of the unclaimed remains of forgotten veterans.

*Whereas,* Since July 17, 1862, veterans have been buried with honor and respect. We need to make sure this continues for all veterans, including the unclaimed cremated remains that may be sitting on shelves across the country.

*Whereas,* By supporting the Missing In America Project (MIAP), the California State Council, Inc. can help provide these heroes, who served their country, with a proper resting place.

*Whereas,* As Vietnam Veterans of America's first adopted resolution states, "Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another." We should not abandon these veterans.

*Resolved,* Vietnam Veterans of America, California State Council Inc. will support the Missing In America project (MIAP), with no cost to the California State Council, Inc.

*Members Resolution MIAP-2008-1  
Dated this day of October 25, 2008*

*Robert W. Johnston Sr.  
President*

