

2003 SENATE RESOLUTION 29

February 17, 2004 – Introduced by Senators WELCH, ZIEN, SCHULTZ, ROESSLER, LASSA and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Homeland Security, Veterans and Military Affairs and Government Reform.

1 **Relating to:** commemorating the Wisconsin Lao Veterans of America and
2 acknowledging the organization in performing its own proper burial of a Lao
3 veteran.

4 Whereas, the Central Intelligence Agency and the United States Armed Forces
5 recruited, organized, trained, and assisted Hmong guerrilla, united, and
6 conventional forces from 1960 to 1975 to combat the North Vietnamese Army and
7 Communist Pathet Lao forces; and

8 Whereas, the United States is now home to a significant community of the
9 Hmong veterans and their families after providing them political asylum, refugee
10 status, and citizenship because of their unique contribution to the United States
11 national security interests during the Vietnam War; and

12 Whereas, the Wisconsin Lao Veterans of America has established chapters
13 throughout the state and those chapters have sought to serve the communities in
14 which they are located and educate the public about the historic contribution of the
15 Hmong veterans during the Vietnam War; and

