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1 **Relating to:** declaring December 8, 2019, to be General Vang Pao Day in Wisconsin.

2 Whereas, General Vang Pao was born on December 8, 1929, and died on
3 January 6, 2011; and

4 Whereas, General Vang Pao participated in the resistance efforts after the
5 Japanese invaded and occupied French Indochina in World War II; and

6 Whereas, after World War II, General Vang Pao was recruited by the French to
7 combat the Viet Minh and the Communist Pathet Lao; and

8 Whereas, General Vang Pao was the only ethnic Hmong to attain the rank of
9 general in the Royal Lao Army; and

10 Whereas, General Vang Pao commanded the Royal Lao Military Region 2, a
11 special guerrilla unit, from 1960 to 1975, with support and training from the U.S.
12 Central Intelligence Agency; and

13 Whereas, General Vang Pao's army saved hundreds of American pilots whose
14 planes were shot down in Northern Laos, protected the U.S. radar system at Phou
15 Phathi, and stopped the communist troops from crossing the Ho Chi Minh Trail; and

1 Whereas, an estimated 35,000 Hmong soldiers and tens of thousands of
2 civilians died in Laos during the Vietnam War; and

3 Whereas, General Vang Pao immigrated to the United States after the
4 Communist Pathet Lao seized control of Laos in 1975; and

5 Whereas, thousands of Hmong refugees followed in General Vang Pao's
6 footsteps and bravely escaped persecution and repression in Laos and resettled in
7 the United States; and

8 Whereas, General Vang Pao was admired for his work in establishing a
9 nonprofit organization called Lao Family Community to help Hmong and Lao
10 refugee families; and

11 Whereas, General Vang Pao was respected for his efforts in forming the Lao
12 Veterans of America, Inc., for the thousands of former ethnic Laotian and Hmong
13 veterans and their families living in the United States; and

14 Whereas, General Vang Pao is revered by many in the Hmong community for
15 his leadership and so many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

16 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the Wisconsin
17 Legislature commemorates the life and service of General Vang Pao and declares
18 December 8, 2019, to be General Vang Pao Day in Wisconsin.

19 (END)

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Thanks in advance!

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