

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

**Honor our State Veterans Homes**  
**Cosponsor H.Res. 1335**

July 23, 2008

Dear Colleague:

Please join us in recognizing the federal and state partnership for the State Veterans Homes as they celebrate their 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

State Veterans Homes are one of the largest long-term care providers in the United States. There are 135 State Veterans Homes throughout the United States with more than 30,000 total beds. In a typical year, State Veterans Homes will furnish nearly seven million days of nursing home care and about 1.5 million days of domiciliary care. These numbers continue to grow in order to meet the needs of our nation's veterans.


State Veterans Homes began after the Civil War, when a large number of indigent and disabled veterans were no longer able to earn their own livelihood and needed care. 2008 marks the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the state and federal partnership in providing quality care for veterans in the State Veterans' Homes.

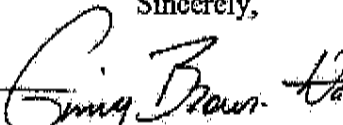
The State Veterans Homes try to ensure that each and every eligible U.S. veteran receives the benefits, services, long term health care and respect which they have earned by their service and sacrifice.


This resolution honors the contributions of the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces and recognizes that we as a Nation have a duty to serve those who have served our country faithfully.

If you would like to cosponsor H.Res 1335 commending the efforts made by the State Veterans Homes for 120 years to provide veterans with high-quality care, and honoring our veterans' sacrifices, please contact Sarah Levin in Rep. Hodes office (5-5206, [sarah.levin@mail.house.gov](mailto:sarah.levin@mail.house.gov)), Justin Grabelle in Rep. Brown-Waite's office (5-1002, [Justin.grabelle@mail.house.gov](mailto:Justin.grabelle@mail.house.gov)), or Ryan McKeon in Rep. Shea-Porter's office, (5-5456, [ryan.mckeon@mail.house.gov](mailto:ryan.mckeon@mail.house.gov)) in Rep. Carol Shea-Porter's office.

Sincerely,

  
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