



**H. Res. 770 - Expressing support for designation of a National Veterans History Project Week to encourage public participation in a nationwide project that collects and preserves the stories of the men and women who served our nation in times of war and conflict.**

**Floor Situation**

H. Res. 770 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Rep. Jon Porter (R-NV) on October 23, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs, but was not considered.

H.Res. 770 is expected to be considered on the floor on November 5, 2007.

**Summary**

H. Res. 770 resolves that Congress:

- Recognizes `National Veterans Awareness Week';
- Supports the designation of a `National Veterans History Project Week';
- Calls on the people of the United States to interview at least one veteran in their families or communities according to guidelines provided by the Veterans History Project; and
- Encourages local, State, and national organizations along with Federal, State, city and county governmental institutions to participate in support of the effort to document, preserve, and honor the service of American wartime veterans.

**Background**

In 2000, Congress voted unanimously to create the Veterans History Project.

The Veterans History Project is run by the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. According to their website, the project is a collection of “oral history interviews, memoirs, letters, diaries, photographs, and other original materials from veterans of World Wars I and II, and the Korean, Vietnam, and Persian Gulf Wars and the Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts (2001-present).

In order to build the collection, the Veterans History Project relies on a corps of volunteer interviewers, partner organizations, and civic minded institutions who interview veterans according to the Library of Congress' guidelines. [Veterans History Project Brochure](#)

National Veterans Awareness Week is the week of November 11-17, 2007. Congress has recognized this National Veterans Awareness Week in 2005 and 2006.

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