Resolution #14 1994-95

TO: President John E. Van de Wetering
FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on April 3, 1995

RE: I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
   II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
   III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)
       For your information

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION: REMEMBERING VIETNAM

Signed Rose M. Wee (For the Senate)
Date Sent APRIL 4, 1995

TO: The Faculty Senate
FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
   a. Accepted. Effective Date
   b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on
   c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II, III.
   a. Received and acknowledged
   b. Comment:

DISTRIBUTION:

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Distribution Date ___ Signed: (President of the College)
March 22, 1995

To: Roger Wier, President
    Faculty Senate

From: Kenneth J. Herrmann, Jr., Senator
    Department of Social Work

Re: Resolution

Please accept the following resolution for consideration by the Faculty Senate during the first available meeting. This resolution is proposed by the Department of Social Work and was approved by our department by a unanimous vote of faculty and student representatives during our March 22nd meeting.

The college has no scheduled event to mark the 20th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War. On April 30, 1975, Colonel Bui Tin captured Saigon and accepted the surrender of the government of South Vietnam. This resolution may provide a long overdue recognition of those in our college community who served in that conflict, provide awareness of this anniversary date, and encourage interest in the war’s effects as well as related issues with which our society and that nation still struggle.

RESOLUTION: REMEMBERING VIETNAM

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War ended twenty years ago on April 30, 1975 with the fall of Saigon, and

WHEREAS, this date marks the end of the longest war in the history of the United States, 1959 to 1975, and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War took the lives of 58,152 Americans, resulted in 303,704 wounded, and the suicides of 150,000 veterans after their return to the United States, and

WHEREAS, those who served in the military in Vietnam returned to a nation which often
rejected them and refused to recognize the value of their military service, and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War resulted in unprecedented civil unrest, social protest, and social divisiveness, and

WHEREAS, the State University of New York College at Brockport community has many members who served in this war or during the Vietnam Era, and

WHEREAS, this college supports and encourages the diversity of its community and the dignity of all persons;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, April 30, 1995 is recognized by the Faculty Senate of the State University of New York College at Brockport as "Remembering Vietnam Day," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Faculty Senate welcomes home all members of the college community and those in our regional community who served in the Vietnam War.