Mandate Cold War Service Medal
(Personnel Issues)
Resolution 19-38

WHEREAS, in past years, most recently in the 115th Congress, authorization was proposed for the Cold War Service Medal covering the period 2 September 1945 through 26 December 1991; and

WHEREAS, the veterans of the Cold War faithfully served our country during a campaign of Soviet Block aggression, Eastern Europe occupation, low intensity conflicts, and the constant threat of nuclear attack; and

WHEREAS, veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan have received numerous recognitions and awards for a conflict that was not declared as a war by Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Defense has not yet authorized the wearing of a Cold War Service Medal on the military uniform; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense instead issues a paper certificate that is available to anyone who served during the Cold War as a US Government employee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ROA, chartered by Congress, urge the Congress to direct the Secretary of Defense to authorize and issue a Cold War Service Medal.