Ancient Order of
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JAN SCRUGGS MEDAL OF FREEDOM RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America is dedicated to honoring those men of Irish birth and Irish descent who answered the call of their country and adopted country and served in the United States' Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America remembers with solemnity all those of Irish descent and Irish birth who gave their lives for their country and adopted country throughout this nation's history; and

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America remembers with solemnity the many thousands of those of Irish descent and Irish birth who gave their lives for their country and adopted country during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America regards the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall as a fitting and appropriate place of remembrance for all Veterans of the Vietnam War and all Americans who appreciate those who gave their lives on the altar of freedom; and

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America remembers with solemnity and gratitude the twenty-one soldiers of Irish birth whose names are etched on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall; and

WHEREAS the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America regards the work of Jan Craig Scruggs, a man of Irish ancestry, Vietnam Veteran, Recipient of the Purple Heart, and chief mover and advocate in building the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, to be one that has healed the wounds of this nation and its Veterans inflicted by the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS there is now a petition to the President of the United States to award Jan Craig Scruggs the Medal of Freedom; now be it therefore

RESOLVED that the Ancient Order of Hibernians formally calls upon the President of the United States to award Jan Craig Scruggs the Medal of Freedom for his tireless service to the Veterans of the Vietnam War; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Recording Secretary is asked to send copies of this Resolution suitably embossed, to the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary for Veterans Affairs, and the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

Adopted in convention and signed and witnessed this Sixteenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-two, the two hundred and forty-sixth year since the founding of the American Republic, the one hundred and sixth since the Proclamation of the Irish Republic, and the one hundred and eighty-sixth since the founding of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America.

Daniel J O'Connell
National President

Edward M Halligan
National Secretary

"Ireland unfree shall never be at Peace"