

**TENTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA**  
**FIRST SESSION (2012 - 2013)**  
**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 60**

WHEREAS Article 24 of the Constitution of the Co-Operative Republic of Guyana prescribes that “Every citizen has the right to free medical attention and also to social care in case of old age and disability;”

AND WHEREAS thousands of persons have served in the defence forces and disciplined services of Guyana in which they rendered essential national defence and public security services to the nation as a whole;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with Section 20 of the Defence Act, Ch. 15:01 certain members of the defence forces are required to retire after only twenty-two years of service and other veterans of the disciplined services may be discharged honourably from regular service or transferred to the reserve for various prescribed reasons;

AND WHEREAS many ex-soldiers and servicemen have faced challenges which have had deleterious effects on their employment, health and welfare and of their dependants;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with Article 197 A (5) of the Constitution of the Co-Operative Republic of Guyana, “Disciplined Forces Commissions may be constituted by the National Assembly from time to time, as may be necessary, with power to examine any matter etc;”

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RESOLVED,

That the National Assembly, acting in accordance with the Constitution, appoint a commission, styled the National Veterans Commission, to examine the conditions and circumstances facing veterans of the defence forces and disciplined services to make recommendations to ensure their health and welfare and for the general administration of veterans affairs in Guyana.

***Passed by the National Assembly on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2013.***

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**S.E. ISAACS**  
**Clerk of the National Assembly**