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WASHINGTON, D.C. - Representative Ben Ray Luján, D-N.M., the U.S. House Assistant Speaker, presented 75 local Vietnam Veterans with the Vietnam Veteran Commemorative Pin – a commendation of our nation's lasting gratitude to U.S. military veterans who served during the Vietnam War in a ceremony held at the Gallup Cultural Center on Oct. 19.

At the ceremony, Luján presented the veterans with the Vietnam Veteran Commemorative Pin to honor and thank them for their service to our country. Luján was joined by James Eby, of Gallup's Veterans Helping Veterans and the Gallup Boy Scout Troop 40.

"I had the pleasure of recognizing dozens of Vietnam veterans - distinguished individuals and community leaders who epitomize what it means to be a patriot and public servant," said Luján. "I'm honored to be able to recognize their hard work and sacrifice with the Vietnam Veteran Pin."

The Oct. 19 pinning ceremony was part of the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration, a nation-wide effort to honor U.S. military service members who were on active-duty during the Vietnam-Era between Nov. 1, 1955 and May 15, 1975.

More than 11,000 national, state, and local organizations have joined this effort to help communities honor 6.4 million living Vietnam veterans.

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Through these efforts, 2.3 million Vietnam Veterans and their families have been thanked, both publicly and individually, in more than 15,000 ceremonies.

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