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HAGĀTNA GUAM
PROCLAMATION 2019-27

A Proclamation of the Governor
PROCLAIMING MARCH 29, 2019 AS
Vietnam War Veterans Day

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the last American troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam ending one of the longest and most atrocious wars in our nation's history. More than 58,000 comrades paid the ultimate sacrifice, among them were 77 sons of Guam. Fifty-one years later, we continue to pay tribute to the brave and heroic men and women who served with courage, honor and valor; and

WHEREAS, more than two million Americans answered the call of duty during the Vietnam conflict. They answered the call of their country and served with great distinction. Sadly, many of our heroes returned home and were not afforded the proper respect and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, today, we affirm our dedication to a generation of veterans the respect and support of a grateful island and nation. We pay tribute to those were killed in the conflict and memorialize the ultimate sacrifice they paid to defend our country's freedom; and

WHEREAS, we are deeply indebted to our veterans and their families who shared the misery and sacrifices of their loved ones. Our Vietnam veterans have earned our everlasting gratitude, and we commend them for their bravery and heroism.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, *Maga'hāgan Guāhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim **March 29, 2019**, as **Vietnam War Veterans Day**. Our thoughts and prayers are with our Vietnam veterans and their families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capitol City of *Hagåtña* on this **Twenty-ninth day of March**, in the year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Nineteen**.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hāgan Guāhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

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Acting Lieutenant Governor of Guam