

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

May 28, 2012 – November 11, 2025

**COMMEMORATION OF THE 50<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIETNAM WAR**

**WHEREAS**, May 28, 2012 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, between 1964 and 1975 more than three million Americans left their homes and families and served overseas in a series of battles and conflicts of the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 58,000 citizens gave the ultimate sacrifice for our nation, many returning physically and mentally injured, others were held as prisoners of war, and more than 1,600 service members are still missing; and

**WHEREAS**, of Michigan's sons and daughters who served in the military during the Vietnam War, 2657 were Killed in Action, 36 were held as Prisoners of War, and 49 are still unaccounted for; and

**WHEREAS**, of the 7,391,000 Vietnam veterans, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that 247,859 reside in Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Michigan recognizes the men and women who served with honor during more than a decade of fighting in the challenging terrains of Southeast Asia, where they faced extraordinary and unprecedented dangers; and

**WHEREAS**, we remain thankful to those who fought in this conflict and are grateful for their brave service and draw inspiration and pride from all that they are. The servicemen and women who served in the Vietnam War represent a generation who exuded the very meaning of courage, bravery, honor, and sacrifice;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim May 28, 2012, to November 11, 2025, as the commemoration of the "50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam War" in Michigan.

Handwritten signature of Rick Snyder in blue ink.

Rick Snyder  
Governor

