



The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

Executive Department
State of Idaho

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, as we observe the anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War, we reflect with solemn reverence upon the valor of a generation that served with honor; and

WHEREAS, we pay tribute to the more than three million servicemen and women who left their families to serve bravely, a world away from everything they knew and everyone they loved; and

WHEREAS, we honor all who served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975, regardless of duty location; and

WHEREAS, we draw inspiration from the heroes who suffered unspeakably as prisoners of war, yet who returned home with their heads held high. We pledge to keep the faith with those who were wounded and still carry the scars of war, seen and unseen; and

WHEREAS, it is important to honor the men and women who survived the Vietnam War, as well as the 58,220 men and women who gave their lives; and

WHEREAS, while no words will ever be fully worthy for their service, nor any honor truly befitting their sacrifice, let us remember that it is never too late to pay tribute to the men and women who answered the call of duty with courage and valor; and

WHEREAS, throughout this commemoration, let us strive to live up to their example by showing our Vietnam Veterans, their families, and all who have served the fullest respect and support of a grateful state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Vietnam Veterans Day presents the opportunity for the people of Idaho to honor and thank our Vietnam Veterans for their sacrifice to our country; and

WHEREAS, as residents of the great State of Idaho, we must never forget the sacrifice of the men and women who fought in the name of freedom and democracy for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2020, to be

Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day

in Idaho, and I call upon our citizens to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies in honor of our men and women who have served this country so valiantly to preserve the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy; to fly the flag; and to visit all our Veterans, especially those who are hospitalized, and let them know we appreciate their great sacrifices.



Lawrence Denney

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 29th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-fourth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirtieth.

Brad Little

BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR