



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, ON MARCH 29, 2018, WE COMMEMORATE THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIETNAM WAR AND SALUTE OUR BRAVE VIETNAM VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY; AND

WHEREAS, THE MEMBERS OF OUR ARMED FORCES TOOK ON THE TASK OF THE VIETNAM WAR AND GAVE THEMSELVES TO THEIR DUTY, AND FOR THIS WE OWE THEM THE UTMOST RESPECT; AND

WHEREAS, ON MARCH 29, 1973, THE LAST AMERICAN TROOPS WITHDREW FROM VIETNAM; AS SUCH, WE PAUSE TO HONOR THE LIVES OF THOSE WHO PAID THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE ON OUR BEHALF, AND EXTEND OUR ONGOING GRATITUDE TO OUR VIETNAM VETERANS; AND

WHEREAS, 1.8 MILLION VIETNAM VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE BEEN PUBLICLY THANKED AND HONORED DURING 11,000 CEREMONIES, HELD THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY BY ORGANIZATIONS SERVING AS COMMEMORATIVE PARTNERS OF THE VIETNAM WAR COMMISSION, AND THERE REMAIN NEARLY FIVE MILLION LIVING U.S. VIETNAM VETERANS WHO DESERVE OUR PROFOUND APPRECIATION; AND

WHEREAS, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY IS AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO HONOR THOSE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES WHO SERVED IN VIETNAM DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, AND TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR BRAVERY AND SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SUSANA MARTINEZ, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MARCH 29TH, 2018, AS

“NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY”

THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018.

ATTEST:

Maggie Toulouse Oliver

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER
SECRETARY OF STATE

Susana Martinez
SUSANA MARTINEZ
GOVERNOR

