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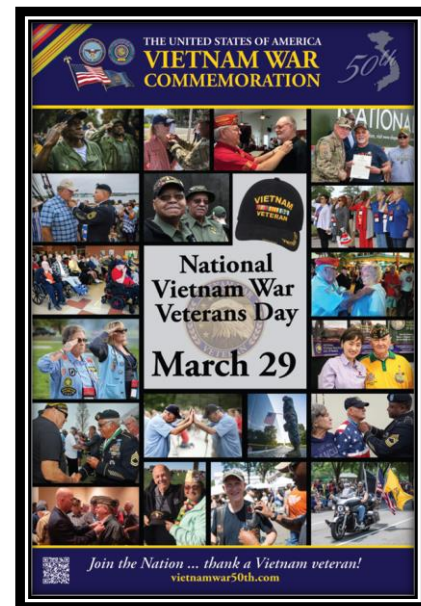
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Dear Commemorative Partners,

Every service member of the Vietnam generation should know that their sacrifices mattered and that their service made a difference.

These are the words of U.S. President, Joseph R. Biden, Jr., penned in the [Presidential Proclamation](#) signed just one day before [National Vietnam War Veterans Day](#) (NVWVD) last year. As we close out February—in honor of *Black History Month*—and prepare for NVWVD, it seems fitting to reveal the announcement from The White House earlier this month, conveying President Biden’s upcoming Medal of Honor presentation to African American Vietnam veteran, retired U.S. Army Colonel Paris D. Davis. This award, our nation’s highest military honor, will be conferred to Davis for his gallant actions rescuing his wounded troops following an attack on June 18, 1965. Stay tuned as the ceremony date and other important information becomes available!

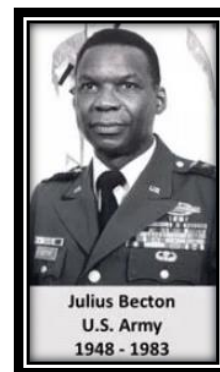


Looking ahead, NVWVD is just **29 days away!** Nearly **600 Commemorative Partner events** are already scheduled on or around **March 29**, with more coming in daily! If you are looking for materials to use for your event, download our brand new poster, shown above. You can visit our [29 March Posters](#) page to access this and other inspirational posters in a variety of resolutions. We also have a new [promotional video](#) and resources such as our [NVWVD fact sheet](#), [speech templates](#), and other [digital resources](#). In addition, if you have not yet ordered your lapel pins, and other [materials](#), *there is still time!* Order now through our [Partner Portal](#) to receive them for this special day.



We encourage you to promote [Welcome Home! A Nation Honors our Vietnam Veterans and Their Families](#) at your NVWVD observances. Also, if you are unable to attend in person **May 11-13** in our Nation’s capital, feel free to host concurrent events in your hometowns to recognize these veterans and their families. A [new video](#), [Media Kit](#) and other resources are now available via our new [Welcome Home! Resources](#) page.

Finally, the submission deadline of your close-up Vietnam veteran period photos has been extended! Submit your photo (one per Vietnam veteran) with at least 300 dpi resolution, the veteran’s name, Service Branch and years served (sample shown at right) to us at whs.vnwar50th@mail.mil by April 15. We will proudly be playing the video montage created from these photos during [Welcome Home!](#)



~ The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Staff ~

Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!