

# Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day  
March 29, 2023

*WHEREAS*, members of the United States Armed Forces began serving in an advisory role in South Vietnam in 1961; and

*WHEREAS*, as a result of the Gulf of Tonkin incidents on August 2, and August 4, 1964, the United States Congress overwhelmingly passed the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution; and

*WHEREAS*, in 1965, there were 80,000 United States troops in Vietnam, and by 1969 a peak of approximately 543,000 troops was reached; and

*WHEREAS*, more than 58,000 members of the United States Armed Forces lost their lives in Vietnam, of which 46 were Shasta County residents; and

*WHEREAS*, by Presidential Proclamation, our nation is observing the 50-year commemoration of the Vietnam War from Memorial Day 2012 until Veteran's Day 2025.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta hereby proclaims March 29, 2023 as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day in Shasta County, urging all citizens to honor the sacrifices made by our Vietnam Veterans and pay special homage to the men and women who gave their lives defending freedom and preserving our way of life.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* that this year's proclamation is presented to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 357.

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Patrick Jones, Chair

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March 28, 2023

Date