

Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day March 30, 2018

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 30, 2018 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.

Les Baugh , Chairman

March 27, 2018

Date