



PROCLAMATION

VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

MARCH 29, 2021

WHEREAS, there are more than 498,000 Vietnam Era Veterans Living in the State of Florida, with more than 1,280 Floridian's sacrificing their lives and 27 still listed as missing in action; and

WHEREAS, of the 246 service members who were awarded the Medal of Honor for service in Vietnam, the nation's highest military award, nine were from Florida, including seven who died in action; and

WHEREAS, Floridian's served in Vietnam from the beginning of the war until the end; and

WHEREAS, the United States involvement in the Vietnam War led to discord among Americans, which deprived many members of the Armed Forces of public support and appreciation for their patriotic service; and

WHEREAS, the soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines who returned from Vietnam have never received the recognition and praise that has historically been given to servicemen and women returning from war; and

WHEREAS, the extraordinary contributions of America's Vietnam War veterans and the sacrifice of their families must be remembered and recognized; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 officially designated March 29 as the annual Vietnam War Veterans Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of North Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby recognize March 29, 2021, as **VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY** in the **CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE**, and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Dated this 9th day of March, 2021

MAYOR ANA M. ZIAIDE

