

The State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eighteen

WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY
MARCH 30, 2018

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War was fought in Vietnam from 1961-1975 and involved North Vietnam and Vietcong in conflict with the United States and South Vietnam; 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, on March 30, 1973, the United States Armed Forces completed the withdrawal of combat troops from Vietnam; the fighting resulted in over 58,000 members of the United States armed forces losing their lives, and over 300,000 being injured; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War was an extremely divisive issue among the people of the United States, and upon their return home, members of the United States Armed Forces who served the United States bravely and faithfully during the war were caught in the crossfire of public debate about involvement in the war; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Welcome Home Vietnam 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 state and country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **MARCH 30, 2018** as **WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY** in the State of New Hampshire, and call this day to the attention of all citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 30th day of March, 2018.

Christopher T. Sununu

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