

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, our Nation's Vietnam War Commemoration gives all Americans the opportunity to recognize, honor and thank Vietnam Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice during the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 58,000 Americans were killed, and many thousands more were wounded and injured, or determined to be missing; and

**WHEREAS**, over 9,000 organizations across America have joined with the Department of Defense as Commemorative Partners to honor our Vietnam Veterans, including the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

**WHEREAS**, this commemoration honors nine million military personnel who answered the call of duty and served in-country, in-theater or were stationed elsewhere during those 20 years; and

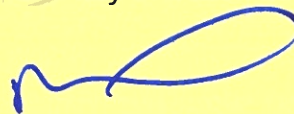
**WHEREAS**, Veteran's Affairs Secretary Robert A. McDonald designated March 29, the last day that U.S. troops were on the ground in Vietnam, as a day to honor those who have "borne the battle" and to extend gratitude and appreciation to them and their families.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of Medford, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2024 as

## VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

in the City of Medford and urge all citizens to join us in this commemoration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,  
I hereunto set my hand this  
21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2024.



Randy Sparacino  
Mayor

