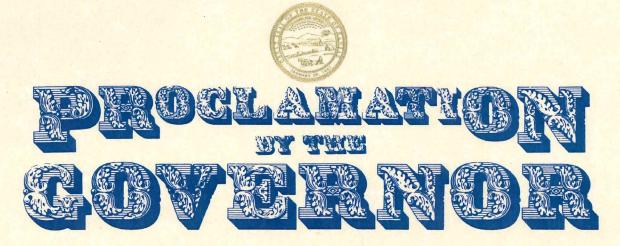
BARMAY OF KANSAS



TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, more than 3 million servicemen and women served in the Vietnam War between 1964 and 1975 and represent a generation who exemplified the very meaning of courage, bravery, honor, and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the last American troops were withdrawn from the battlefields of South Vietnam, thus ending one of the longest conflicts in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, more than 4,000 members of the Kansas National Guard were mobilized for the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, in the quarter century since its unveiling, the Vietnam Memorial has paid eternal tribute to the more than 58,000 U.S. service members who made the ultimate sacrifice in combat or remain missing to this day; and

WHEREAS, of the names listed on the Vietnam Memorial Wall, 627 are from the State of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Vietnam Veterans Day is an opportunity to honor the heroic accomplishments of service members who gave their lives and all those who served our country during the Vietnam conflict.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Colyer, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim March 29th, 2018 as

## VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

and I encourage all citizens to participate in associated events that honor Vietnam Veterans on this day.

DONE:

At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 22nd day of March, A.D. 2018

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State