



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, on March 29 of each year, we commemorate the anniversary of the withdrawal of combat troops from Vietnam in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee sets aside this day to reflect upon the more than 58,000 American service members who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the war in Vietnam and whose names are engraved upon the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee continues to remember her sons and daughters who served so selflessly and valiantly in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, our citizens honor the personal sacrifice made by the more than two million Americans who served in Vietnam to preserve our freedoms; and

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee will not forget the friends and families of her 1,295 casualties and the 27 personnel who are still unaccounted for; and

WHEREAS, on this Vietnam Veterans Day, 2015, we pause to remember that there are those who stood with courage and valor against enemies answered the call to arms in an unpopular war; and

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee stand humbled and indebted to our soldiers, marines, sailors, and airmen whose bravery will be remembered today and always; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2015 as

Vietnam Veterans Day

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this tenth day of February, 2015.



Bill Haslam

Governor

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Secretary of State