

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

WHEREAS,

The Vietnam War was the longest war in United States history at the time resulting in over 50,000 men and women losing their lives of which nearly 400 were Nebraskans and of which all are forever inscribed in black granite at the National Vietnam Veterans Memorial; and

WHEREAS,

Nebraska claims an estimated 48,000 Vietnam veterans, many of which continue their service to their communities and fellow veterans today through volunteerism, counseling and camaraderie; and

WHEREAS,

Powerful emotions and memories of the Vietnam War for many manifest that although the war ended, the battle continues unseen for many of our Vietnam veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS,

Nebraska's Vietnam veterans and their families sacrificed much, asked for little and are deserving of our utmost respect and dedicated support; and

WHEREAS,

Sacrifices by our Vietnam veterans have improved all aspects of service for our modern warriors proving that our Vietnam veterans remain relevant mentors, leaders and heroes.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Dave Heineman, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the 1st day of November, 2013 through November 11, 2025 as the commemoration of the

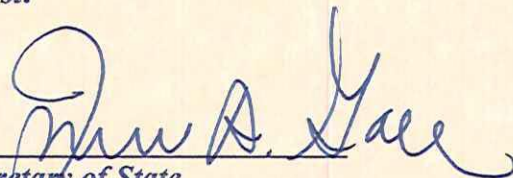
50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIETNAM WAR

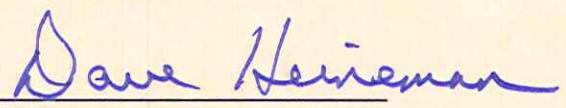
in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to welcome home and thank all of Nebraska's Vietnam era veterans for their service. I ask all Nebraska's communities to recognize their local sons who gave their lives during the Vietnam War and continue education of all Nebraskans on the historical points of the conflict.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this First day of November, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Thirteen.



Attest:


Secretary of State


Governor