

Charlotte County Florida



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, throughout the rich history of the United States, patriotic men and women have taken up arms and swore an oath to defend our nation, establishing an honorable tradition of dedicated serve; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the United States Armed Forces completed the withdrawal of combat troops from Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnam War was an extremely divisive issue among the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, members of the United States Armed Forces who served bravely and faithfully for the United States during the Vietnam War were, upon their return home, caught in the crossfire of public debate about the involvement of the United States in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, more than 3 million men and women served in the Vietnam War with more than 58,000 making the ultimate sacrifice; more than 304,000 were wounded and more than 1,500 are still missing in action; and

WHEREAS, Florida is home to more than 467,000 Vietnam-era veterans, making it the second largest population of Vietnam veterans in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the patriotism of those in uniform who continue to defend the timeless truths and great freedoms upon which our nation was founded will continue to make our state and nation proud, and serve as an inspiration for generations to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that March 29, 2023, shall be known in all of Charlotte County as

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 28th day of March 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

By _____
William G. Truex, Chairman

Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of Circuit
Court and Ex-Officio Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Hector Flores, County Administrator