

**BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF
ARCHULETA COUNTY,
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1973, the last American troops were withdrawn from South Vietnam, thus ending military involvement in what was the longest war in our country's history; and,

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2012, President Barak Obama designated May 29, 2012 – November 11, 2025 as a 13 year program to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War; and,

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2017, President Donald J. Trump, signed into law The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017, designating every March 29 as *National Vietnam War Veterans Day*; and,

WHEREAS, more than 58,000 service members made the ultimate sacrifice during the Vietnam War, thousands more were wounded, and 1,600 remain missing in action; and,

WHEREAS, Vietnam Veterans contribute to our communities, state and nation by offering skills, education and leadership learned in military service; and,

WHEREAS, Archuleta County, Colorado, is home to more than an estimated 400 Vietnam Veterans; and,

WHEREAS, the Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is a proud Commemorative Partner of the 50th Commemoration acknowledging that these veterans and their families deserve our thanks and respect for their service and sacrifice on behalf of the United States.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of Archuleta County, Colorado, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2019 as **VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY** and invite all citizens in both public ceremonies and in private thoughts and prayers to gratefully acknowledge our Vietnam Veterans.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2019.

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Ronnie Maez, Chairman

ATTEST

Deputy County Clerk & Recorder