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### **Board of Supervisors Proclaims March 29th as Vietnam War Veterans Day in Livingston County**

**Geneseo, NY, March 25, 2020** — The Livingston County Board of Supervisors recently proclaimed March 29, 2020 as Vietnam War Veterans Day.

Countless brave Americans have answered the call to patriotic duty, including Vietnam veterans who endured unspeakable hardships both in combat and on the home front. The Vietnam War was one of the longest military conflicts in America's history that escalated to staggering statistics: over 3.4 million deployed to Southeast Asia; 2.7 million served in the designated war zone; over 58,000 were killed in theater of operation; and 153,000 were non-mortally wounded. There are 4,120 names listed on the Vietnam Memorial Wall in our nation's capital that honor the courageous New Yorkers who went off to war never to return home.

On March 29, 1973 the last 2,500 American combat troops were withdrawn from the battlefields of Vietnam. The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 amended Title 4 United States Code, section 6(d) to include National Vietnam War Veterans Day as an important occasion on which the flag should be raised.

Jason Skinner, Director of Livingston County Veterans Services, said, "We solemnly commemorate the anniversary of this day and reflect on its significance for past, present, and future generations."

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