

- WHEREAS,** it is an honor to recognize the many veterans who have made countless sacrifices for Fort Pierce families; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2012, the United States began the commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, a 13-year program to honor and thank those who answered the call to serve in the war; 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,** the families and friends of missing service members continue to endure uncertainty concerning the fate of their loved ones who remain unaccounted for; and
- WHEREAS,** Vietnam veterans contribute to our city, county, state and nation by offering skills, education, leadership, and dedication learned in military service; and
- WHEREAS,** the city of Fort Pierce is home to many Vietnam veterans; and
- WHEREAS,** we can never fully repay our debt of gratitude to those brave men and women who served, were wounded, or died in battle; and
- WHEREAS,** Vietnam Veterans Day presents the opportunity for the people of Fort Pierce to honor and thank our Vietnam veterans for their service to our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2023 as:

Vietnam Veterans Day

in the City of Fort Pierce and further urge all Fort Pierce citizens to join us in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to be affixed this 20th day of March, 2023.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER