MARSHALL COUNTY FISCAL COURT

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

Whereas: The Military Assistance Advisory Group (MAAG), Indochina, with an authorized

strength of 128 men, was established on September 27, 1950 with a mission to oversee the use and distribution of US military equipment by the French and their allies, requests for aid, advise on strategy, and train Vietnamese soldiers; and

Whereas: The Republic of Vietnam was proclaimed on 26 October 1955, and armed

conflict continued; and

Whereas: U.S. reorganized the U.S. MAAG in Indochina into country-specific units and

MAAG Vietnam was established on November 1, 1955 and became the

commencement date of the "Vietnam Conflict;" and

Whereas: The earliest US casualty record contains a date of death of June 8, 1956; and

Whereas: The number of US military deployed to the Republic of Vietnam increased each

year peaking at 536,100 in 1968 and totaling over 2,594,000 in country; and

Whereas: 58,220 US service members died in the conflict; and

Whereas: 303,644 US service members were wounded in action; and

Whereas: a further 1,626 US service members remain missing in action; and

Whereas: On March 29, 1973 combat and combat support units withdrew from the Republic

of Vietnam.

now Therefore: I, Kevin Neal, Judge-Executive for Marshall County, do hereby proclaim

that March 29, 2018 as:

National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

Kévin Neal

Marshall County Judge/Executive