

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS the People of Milwaukie and the United States wish to honor the service and sacrifice of American military personnel and their families who served during the Vietnam War, and

WHEREAS the United States and the State of Oregon have proclaimed Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day at the end of March each year to coincide with the anniversary of the last day of combat operations in Vietnam, and

WHEREAS to better serve our veteran neighbors the Milwaukie Police Department, Milwaukie American Legion Post 180 and veteran service organizations in the greater Milwaukie community established the Corporal Diffie Fund to provide immediate interim support to veterans in need while other services are sought, and

WHEREAS the City of Milwaukie and its community partners American Legion Post 180 and the Susannah Lee Barlow Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) are committed to honoring Vietnam veterans and their families and will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the war with an event at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Scott Park at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday April 5, 2025, and

WHEREAS it is right to reflect on the service and sacrifice made by all who served Our Nation in the Vietnam and Southeast Asia theater during the Vietnam War.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa M. Batey, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim MARCH 29, 2025, to be VIETNAM WAR REMEMBRANCE DAY in the City of Milwaukie, and do encourage all community members to visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Scott Park and attend the April 5, 2025, commemoration event.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 21st day of March 2023.

Lisa M. Batey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder