



**Mayor's Proclamation
Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day
City of Holden, Missouri**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Holden, Missouri, recognize and honor the courage, sacrifice, and dedication of all Vietnam War veterans; and

WHEREAS, more than 2.7 million Americans served during the Vietnam War from November 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975, and more than 58,000 of our fellow citizens made the ultimate sacrifice to defend freedom and uphold democratic values; and

WHEREAS, Vietnam veterans faced extraordinary challenges both on and off the battlefield and have contributed immeasurably to our nation through their commitment, perseverance, and resilience; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to remember not only the bravery of those who served but also the families and communities whose support sustained them through the trials of war; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day provides an opportunity for all citizens to reflect upon the lessons of history, honor the service of our veterans, and reaffirm our commitment to supporting those who defended our nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Ray Briscoe**, Mayor of the City of Holden, Missouri, do hereby proclaim **March 29, 2026**, as **Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day** in Holden and urge all residents to pause in solemn reflection, to express gratitude to our veterans and their families, and to participate in commemorative ceremonies that preserve the lasting legacy of their courage, honor, and sacrifice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Holden to be affixed this **23rd day of March, 2026**.


Ray Briscoe
Mayor

