WHEREAS, between 1955 and 1975, over 3 million Americans served overseas in a series of battles and conflicts that have come to be known as the Vietnam War, which has defined an entire generation of Americans; and

WHEREAS, just over 58,000 brave heroes gave their lives in combat, over 300,000 were wounded, and more than 1,500 are still missing in action as a result of the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of National Vietnam War Veterans Day on March 29, which is the day the last U.S. combat troops departed the Republic of Vietnam, allows the nation time to pay respect to the heroes who served during this difficult chapter of our country's history; and

WHEREAS, we value their continued service to their fellow veterans today, as they embody the motto of the Vietnam Veterans of America: "Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, does hereby salute our brave Vietnam veterans and their families for their courage, sacrifice, and valor, and proclaims March 29, 2024, as

VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY IN CLAY COUNTY

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Clay County is proudly partnering with our local Vietnam Veterans of America in hosting the March 23, 2024, Vietnam Veterans Day Ceremony at the Taps Memorial Monument to give proper recognition and say welcome home to all Vietnam Veterans.

DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida this 12th day of March 2024.

ATTEST:	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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