

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2020

BY: **ROY J. JECH**

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MARCH 29 AS
"NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY",
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act was established and signed into law by President Trump in March of 2017; and,

WHEREAS, this recognition is to ensure that the sacrifices of the 9 million heroes who served during this difficult chapter of our country's history are remembered for generations to come; and,

WHEREAS, the commemoration honors U.S. Armed Forces personnel with active duty service between November 1, 1955 and May 15, 1975 regardless of location of service; and,

WHEREAS, 2.7 million U.S. service members served in Vietnam; and,

WHEREAS, 304,000 were wounded; 1,253 are Missing in Action (MIA's) who have not yet returned to American soil; and 2,500 Prisoners of War (POW's); and,

WHEREAS, we solemnly remember the 58,000 names which are memorialized on a black granite wall in our Nation's capital; and,

WHEREAS, March 29, 1973 was the date the last of our U.S. combat troops came home; and,

WHEREAS, this Council encourages the City residents and businesses, such as Mission BBQ, to show its gratitude to this noble generation of American Service Members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby supports "National Vietnam War Veterans Day" on March 29, 2020.

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary due to the observance taking place this month, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: _____
MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO