

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the City of Star is proud to join in the national commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War, and we reflect with solemn reverence upon the valor of a generation that served with honor; and

WHEREAS, we pay tribute to the more than three million servicemen and women who left their families to serve bravely, a world away from everything they knew and everyone they loved; and

WHEREAS, upon the conclusion of their service, Vietnam veterans returned home to a country deeply divided over the war. Their service was not met with gratitude and pride, but often with protests and disrespect; and

WHEREAS, we also remember and pay tribute to the approximately 58,000 Americans who lost their lives in service to our nation, and the hundreds who are still missing in action; and

WHEREAS, we remember that it is never too late to pay tribute to the men and women who answered the call of duty with courage; and

WHEREAS, throughout this commemoration, we will strive to show our Vietnam Veterans, and all who have served, the fullest respect and support of a grateful city and nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TREVOR A. CHADWICK, Mayor of Star, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2022, to be Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day and I call upon our citizens to observe this day as an opportunity for the people of Star to honor and thank our Vietnam Veterans for their sacrifices.

Signed this 15th day of March, 2022

Mayor Trevor A. Chadwick