

# **PROCLAMATION**

## **VIETNAMESE AMERICAN REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**APRIL 30, 2025**

**WHEREAS:** Vietnamese refugees have proudly resided in the state of Oregon since the conclusion of the Vietnamese War on April 30, 1975; and

**WHEREAS:** Vietnamese Americans have put forth their full toiling energy building the state of Oregon in a multitude of prominent areas including industry, economy, culture, education, and military service; and

**WHEREAS:** Vietnamese Americans have counted on the state of Oregon as being their second heart, mind, and family homeland; and

**WHEREAS:** Every year, Vietnamese Americans celebrate Remembrance Day on April 30<sup>th</sup> to solemnly honor the 58,000 American servicemen and servicewomen in that 810 soldiers from the state of Oregon, and more than 300,000 South Vietnamese soldiers who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty for freedom and democracy in South Vietnam from November 1955 to April 1975.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Shawn O'Neil, Mayor of the City of Wilsonville, do hereby proclaim the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025 as:

## **VIETNAMESE AMERICAN REMEMBRANCE DAY**

I encourage all Wilsonville community members to join in this observance.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2025.

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Shawn O'Neil, Mayor