Proclamation

"VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY" MARCH 29, 2023

WHEREAS, today we honor all those who bravely served in the Vietnam War and who sacrificed, as did their families and caregivers, on behalf of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, for almost two decades, Americans raised their right hand and committed to serve and defend our Constitution as uniformed members of the United States Armed Forces during a tumultuous period in our country's history. Throughout the years of the Vietnam War, 9 million Americans earned the title of United States Veteran. Today and every day, we honor their bravery and commitment and give thanks to a generation of Americans who valiantly fought in service of the country they love while recognizing the continuing impact on so many veterans of the Vietnam conflict; and

WHEREAS, every service member of the Vietnam generation should know that their sacrifices mattered and that their service made a difference. The 58,000 names etched in The Wall at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial remind us of our loved ones who gave their all and never came home. Their legacy of patriotism and dedication to Country is an inspiration to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that all citizens remember the bravery of those who served and those who gave their lives, so that their sacrifices serve as a reminder of the cost of freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chip Wilson, Mayor of Apache Junction, Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2023, to be

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and urge all the citizens of Apache Junction to take the time and extend a moment of gratitude to our Nations Vietnam veterans.

Signed and attested to this 8th day of March, 2023.

WALTER "CHIP" WILSON Mayor



ATTEST:

JENNIFER PENA City Clerk