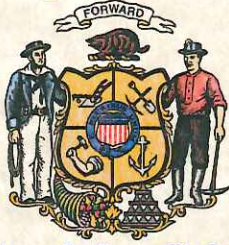


# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; the Vietnam War began on September 26, 1959, as the cold war military conflict called the "Second Indochina War;" and became a 16-year conflict between communist North Vietnam, supported by communist allies, and South Vietnam, supported by anti-communist nations, including the United States; and

*WHEREAS*; the United States' involvement began in 1965 and lasted until the capture of Saigon by the North Vietnamese on April 30, 1975; and

*WHEREAS*; there were more than 165,000 service members from Wisconsin who served during the Vietnam War who served their country valiantly under difficult circumstances and 1,239 Wisconsin service members paid the ultimate sacrifice; and

*WHEREAS*; the people of the State of Wisconsin honor the service and sacrifice of the men and women who served during the Vietnam era, and that of their families, and we honor their just and honorable devotion to country and that service, once rendered, can never be devalued; and

*WHEREAS*; in recognition of the Wisconsin veterans listed on the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C., and to express pride and gratitude to all who served, the State of Wisconsin, by 2009 Wisconsin Act 3, has designated March 29 of each year as "Vietnam Veterans Day;"

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, March 29, 2011 as

### VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2011.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR



By \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State