

City of Vancouver, Washington

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, Vietnamese refugees have proudly resided in the United States since the conclusion of the Vietnam War on April 30, 1975; and
- WHEREAS, Vietnamese-Americans have put forth their full energy building communities where they live into a multitude of prominent areas rich in industry, economy, culture, education, and military service; and
- WHEREAS, Vietnamese-Americans acknowledge the United States, the State of Washington, and the City of Vancouver as being their second heart, mind, and family homeland; and
- WHEREAS, every year Vietnamese-Americans observe Remembrance Day on April 30th to solemnly honor the 58,000 American soldiers, 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 1955 to 1975; and
- WHEREAS, we honor the 1,048 service members from Washington State and 810 service members from Oregon who died in service including 21 fallen soldiers from the City of Vancouver.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, Washington, do hereby proclaim the 30th of April as:

“ Vietnamese-American Remembrance Day ”

in the City of Vancouver and encourage all to join in the reverent recognition of this cultural heritage celebration.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 21st day of April 2025.

Anne McEnerny-Ogle

ANNE McENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR