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Office of the Mayor & City Council
11222 Acacia Pkwy.
Garden Grove, CA 92843

Re: Observance of June 19th as Overseas Vietnamese Veterans of The Republic of South Vietnam Day

Dear Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

KBC Hai Ngoai is a free membership, non-commercial informational website, which posts documents relating to the history of the Vietnam War, activities of overseas Vietnamese veterans of the Republic of South Vietnam, and community news.

We write to encourage your observance of the 35th Annual Day of Overseas Vietnamese Veterans of The Republic of South Vietnam to be held on Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Thousands of our subscribers, who now reside in the City of Garden Grove, are Vietnamese veterans of the Republic of South Vietnam (VVRSV). From 1955 to 1975, the VVRSV fought alongside American Veterans in the Vietnam War for freedom and democracy. Each year, VVRSV come together on June 19th, in the thousands, to observe this day as the Day to remember and honor fellow VVRSV and American Veterans who have sacrificed and died for freedom and democracy.

We hope that this letter will encourage the City of Garden Grove to join many residents and local leaders in the observance of June 19th as Overseas Vietnamese Veterans of the Republic of South Vietnam Day.

We thank you for your attention to this matter, and for your dedicated public service.

Very truly yours,


Nguyen Phuong Hung
KBC Hai Ngoai On-Line Web Master

Approved for Agenda Listing


Matthew Fertal
City Manager

Proclamation

**Overseas Vietnamese Veterans
Of The Republic of South Vietnam Day of Remembrance
June 19, 2010**

WHEREAS, From 1955 to 1975, the Vietnam War brought about the loss of approximately 250,000 soldiers of the Republic of South Vietnam and 58,000 soldiers of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The history of the Vietnam War offers an opportunity to reflect on the responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Overseas Vietnamese Veterans of The Republic of South Vietnam (OVVRSV) now reside in the United States and participate in activities sponsored by American veterans including Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, All veteran soldiers should be honored for their distinguished service in the Vietnam War. Many OVVRSV soldiers who fulfilled their Vietnam war duties, now contribute to the United States as American citizens and, in particular, Garden Grove residents; and

WHEREAS, June 19, 2010 marks the 35th Annual Day of Overseas Vietnamese Veterans of the Republic of South Vietnam to remember those who have sacrificed and died in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, The Garden Grove community should actively rededicate themselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society promoting human rights and dignity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Garden Grove City Council does hereby proclaim June 19, 2010 as Overseas Vietnamese Veterans Of The Republic Of South Vietnam Day of Remembrance, in memory of the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for freedom and democracy, the victims of the Vietnam War, and in honor of the survivors, activists and freedom fighters.

June 8, 2010

William J. Dalton, Mayor

Steven R. Jones
Mayor Pro Tem

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Council Member

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Council Member

Andrew Do
Council Member