

Proclamation

WHEREAS, a significant number of Vietnamese-Americans make the City of Orlando their home; and

WHEREAS, Orlando's Vietnamese-American community makes substantial contributions to the cultural, religious, political and business life of the City of Orlando; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Orlando's Vietnamese-Americans embrace the yellow with three red stripes Heritage and Freedom Flag as the official symbol of the Vietnamese-American community; and

WHEREAS, this yellow flag with three red stripes is widely embraced, because of its long history, as a symbol of resilience, freedom and democracy both in Vietnam itself and Vietnamese-American communities throughout Orlando and elsewhere;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Orlando formally recognizes the Vietnamese Heritage and Freedom Flag as the official symbol of the Orlando Vietnamese-American community and supports the efforts of the Orlando Vietnamese-American community to promote freedom and democracy, and

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, BUDDY DYER, Mayor, and PATTY SHEEHAN, Commissioner District 4 of the City of Orlando, hereby do Proclaim Monday, March 22, 2004 as

“ORLANDO’S VIETNAMESE-AMERICAN HERITAGE AND FREEDOM FLAG DAY”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 22nd day of March 2004.

Buddy Dyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Sheehan
Patty Sheehan, Commissioner District 4

