

STATE OF OREGON  
**PROCLAMATION**  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** After the end of the Vietnam War in 1975, the first Vietnamese immigrants came to the State of Oregon in search of opportunity and freedom; and
- WHEREAS:** The Vietnamese immigrants brought Vietnamese customs and traditions which have been passed down through generations; and
- WHEREAS:** There are a significant number of Vietnamese-Americans who have chosen to make the State of Oregon their home; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon's Vietnamese-American community has made substantial contributions to the cultural, religious, political, and business life throughout the state of Oregon; and
- WHEREAS:** A large number of the Oregon's Vietnamese-Americans widely embrace the yellow and three red-striped Heritage and Freedom flag as a symbol of the Vietnamese-American community; and
- WHEREAS:** It is the will and desire of the Oregon Vietnamese Community Association and its members, that the Vietnamese-American Heritage and Freedom Flag be recognized as the official flag of their organization throughout the great state of Oregon.

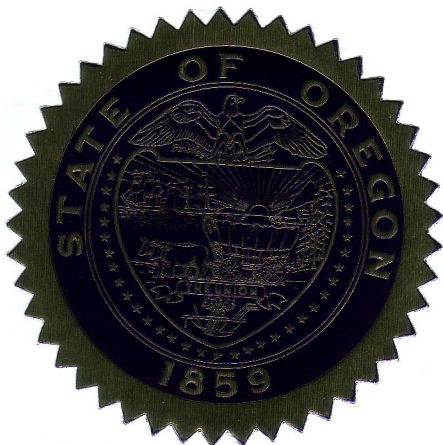
**NOW,**

**THEREFORE:** I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **April 28, 2007** to be

**VIETNAMESE AMERICAN HERITAGE AND FREEDOM FLAG DAY**

In Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, April 13, 2007.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Theodore R. Kulongoski".

Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bill Bradbury".

Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State