

## **Proclamation** of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado Recognizing "Friends of the Veterans Monument"

**WHEREAS**, the people of El Dorado County, and Friends of the Veteran's Monument, founded by United States Marine Corps veteran Corporal Richard W. Buchanan NC, honor our fallen soldiers, who have paid with their lives, are memorialized with this monument. It is with great pride we show appreciation for this symbol in recognition of valor and the ultimate sacrifice and the group that led this effort of remembrance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Veterans Monument, placed in prominence adjacent to the County Government Center is a reminder to all of the high regard El Dorado County holds for those who made honorable contributions in the defense of our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the 114 foot monument wall, designed by United States Coast Guard veteran/architect Lt. Commander Peter Wolfe which serves as a base for the American flag, the plaza which seats 500 persons, and the 2,000 engraved bricks, benches and plaques honoring our American veterans and a life size bronze American eagle is fitting tribute of significance which symbolizes the freedoms, institutions, and way of life that our veterans have gallantly served to protect; and

**WHEREAS**, the Veterans Monument, intended to provide individuals with a place to engage in quiet contemplation, and reflection and to bring solace to families and surviving comrades of the fallen be used for commemorative ceremonies on Memorial Day and Veteran's Day; and

**WHEREAS**, with respect and appreciation we recognize the Friends of the Veteran's Monument for this lasting tribute and legacy in honor for our fallen veterans.

Now, therefore be it proclaimed that the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize Friends of the Veterans Monument for their efforts in the creation of a legacy memorial to honor our fallen heroes.

**Passed and adopted** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 19th day of May, 2015.

Attest: James S. Mitrisin Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:

Deputy Clerk