

**COUNTY OF HENDRY, STATE OF FLORIDA**

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROCLAIMING MARCH 2, 2018 AS "MANCHU WARRIOR DAY"**

**WHEREAS**, local Veteran Nicholas Cutinha served with the Manchu Warriors of Company C, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 25<sup>th</sup> Army Infantry Division during the Tet Offensive in Vietnam; and

**WHEREAS**, the Manchu Warriors fought bravely in defense of liberty during the Battle of Hoc Mon on March 2, 1968, losing 49 Soldiers dead, and 24 Soldier wounded, of the 92 Soldiers of the Unit, in just 8 minutes; and

**WHEREAS**, Army Specialist 4 Nicholas Cutinha was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for valor under fire when saving the lives of 9 of his Platoon mates before being fatally wounded; and

**WHEREAS**, annually, the surviving Manchu Warriors gather in Hendry County to render reverence and gratitude for the sacrifice of their brethren; and

**WHEREAS**, this reverence shown by the Manchu Warriors upon a local Veteran epitomizes the American values shared by our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County, Florida, does hereby proclaim March 2, 2018 as "*Manchu Warrior Day*".

Duly considered and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, this 23rd day of January 2018.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

  
Barbara Butler, Clerk

  
Mitchell Wills, Chairman

