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Governor Greg Abbott Presents Special Texas Edition of Vietnam War 50th commemoration book to Vietnam Veterans

AUSTIN, TX – To honor over half a million Texans who served in Vietnam, a special Texas limited edition Vietnam War 50th Commemoration book *A Time to Honor: Stories of Service, Duty, and Sacrifice* is available to them, compliments of Governor Greg Abbott. Texas Vietnam War Veterans may contact their local Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) office to find out how to get their copy.

“Today and every day, we must honor the veterans and fallen heroes who bravely defended our freedoms on the battlefield,” said Governor Abbott. “As our nation continues to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War, this book is a symbol of a grateful state and nation. However, this book is not simply a tribute to the heroic service of the veterans and fallen heroes of the Vietnam War. It is also a reminder of our duty as Americans to ensure that veterans have access to the support they have earned. That is why I encourage veterans throughout Texas to apply for and claim the state and federal benefits and support available to them. On behalf of the state of Texas, I extend my deepest gratitude to our Vietnam veterans and to all those who have worn the uniform of the United States Armed Forces.”

The newly published book details heroic actions taken and sacrifices made in Vietnam, chronicles the events of the time, provides modern day reflections of veterans and pays tribute to all who served in Vietnam. Texas is home to 1.7 million veterans. Of that, a significant proportion is made up by over 500,000 men and women who served in Vietnam.

“As a veteran of the Vietnam War, I thank Governor Abbott for honoring our service and providing this book so that our duty and service to our country is not forgotten,” said Eliseo “Al” Cantu, Jr., Chairman, Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) and U.S. Army retired. “I urge all Texas Vietnam veterans to seek out this special book and claim the benefits we have earned.”

To receive a copy of the commemorative book, contact a TVC office near you or call 1-800-252-VETS (8387) to find the nearest facility. Our advisors can also assist in all matters pertaining to veterans' state and federal disability benefits and entitlements, including VA healthcare.

Helping Veterans Starts Here. The Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) advocates for and provides superior service to veterans that significantly improves the quality of life for all Texas veterans, their families and survivors. TVC assists veterans in receiving their state and federal benefits, awards grants to nonprofit organizations which provide direct services to veterans and administers the Hazlewood Act education benefits. Learn more at www.tvc.texas.gov.

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