

City of South Gate



From the Honorable
Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Declaring
May 30, 2022, as Memorial Day
Honoring our nation's heroes

- WHEREAS,* Memorial Day originated on May 30, 1868, by General John A. Logan, Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic; and
- WHEREAS,* on National Vietnam War Veterans Day, we honor all those who bravely served in the Vietnam War and who sacrificed, as did their families and caregivers, on behalf of our Nation; and
- WHEREAS,* Memorial Day is designated to pay tribute to our American Soldiers who fought and died so that we may live in freedom and maintain the legacy left to us by our forefathers; and
- WHEREAS,* in 2012, our Nation launched a 13-yr long commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War to ensure that every veteran, family, caregiver, and survivor impacted by the difficult years in Vietnam feels our Nation's gratitude for their sacrifice; and
- WHEREAS,* the names etched in The Wall at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial remind us of our loved ones who gave their all and never came home; and
- WHEREAS,* to the families, caregivers, and survivors of the more than 58,000 service members whose names are memorialized in the black granite, we pledge to never forget the eternal sacrifice of your loved ones and what you have sacrificed for the Nation; and
- WHEREAS,* to the families of over 1,500 service members who remain missing and unaccounted for, know that our Nation's efforts to bring them home will never stop.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 10th day of May 2022 that I, Al Rios, Mayor of the City of South Gate, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby declare May 30, 2022, as Memorial Day in tribute and honor to those who lost their lives in the name of freedom. I further invite citizens to attend the City's Memorial Day Ceremony on May 28, 2022.

Al Rios

Mayor Al Rios

