

PROCLAMATION

Many persons, throughout time and the world, and for various reasons, have ingrained their beneficial presence in history. It is not through chance that they have done so, but through their deeds and upon their own merit. In such a mold fit those individuals who have served the cause of peace and freedom at DaNang Airfield. Faced with the hardships inherent to armed conflict, they rallied as one, despite their diversity of background and nationality, to successfully accomplish their appointed mission. Mere words could not be authored nor monuments carved to successfully convey the full remembrance and appreciation of their valorous acts, many of which led to the ultimate sacrifice. Such recognition can only be felt in the hearts of men or laid in the hands of supreme beings.

We who are present now, however, in order to best preserve in a worldly manner the memory of those who have served here, have taken action to establish this plot of earth as a dedication to their memory, to be known as the "DaNang Air Base Airman Memorial Park".

Accordingly, it is hereby declared and proclaimed that this park, and its attendant marker, shall for all time be devoted to the recognition of those who have so unselfishly and honorably given of themselves while in service at DaNang Airfield, to be remembered by fitting ceremony at appropriate times in the years to come lest the memory be dimmed by time.

Within our authority, witness our hands and seals this 3rd day of March 1973, at DaNang Airfield, Republic of Vietnam.

SIGNED

WILLIAM W. HOOVER
PEACE

SIGNED

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The dove with olive leaves recalls Noah's flood and the part the bird played in the event. This has come to symbolize peace, not only peace between nations but also the spiritual peace that comes with being guided by the Holy Spirit. Peace is not so much an absence of tension as it is an attitude toward conflict. By His sacrifice Christ brought peace between God and man. In peace we recognize that the outcome of all things is in God's hands and does not come by our own efforts.



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