Vietnamese-American Community
Commemorative Flag Day

WHEREAS, There are over 2,000 Vietnamese-Americans who have chosen to make the City of Syracuse and County of Onondaga their home, and there are over 1.2 million Vietnamese-Americans in the United States today; and

WHEREAS, Vietnamese-American communities both in Syracuse and throughout the country embrace the yellow and three red striped flag as a symbol of freedom and democracy and is known as the Heritage and Freedom Flag; and

WHEREAS, The flag’s yellow background has been the traditional color of Vietnam for over 2,000 years and the three red stripes represent North, Central, and South Vietnam united as one national community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Syracuse and the County of Onondaga support the recognition of the Heritage and Freedom Flag as a commemorative symbol of our Vietnamese Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NICHOLAS J. PIRRO, County Executive of the County of Onondaga and I, MATTHEW J. DRISCOLL, Mayor of the City of Syracuse, do hereby proclaim the Twenty-eighth day of April Two thousand and seven as

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in the County of Onondaga and the City of Syracuse

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seals of the County of Onondaga and the City of Syracuse to be imprinted this Twenty-eighth day of April Two thousand and seven.

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Nicholas J. Pirro     Matthew J. Driscoll
County Executive     Mayor