

## Mountain View Community Council

**RESOLUTION 2023 - 01** 

In support of the creation of a Hmong American Veterans Memorial at Davis Park

WHEREAS the official Mountain View Neighborhood Plan envisions a safe and beautiful neighborhood that inspires community pride, features welcoming public spaces, maintains Mountain View's distinctive and diverse character, and

WHEREAS Hmong Veterans fought honorably alongside American soldiers during the Vietnam War; their dedicated service saved thousands of American lives as they helped downed planes, carried supplies along hidden supply routes, and fought on the front lines. It is estimated that 35,000 Hmong soldiers died and 11,000 went missing in service to the US, and

WHEREAS Hmong soldiers who fought for the Americans had to flee their country for fear of persecution following the Vietnam War, these Hmong soldiers came to America as refugees and they and their families are now our neighbors, and

WHEREAS these veterans have never and still continue not to receive any veterans benefits -

BE IT RESOLVED: The Mountain View Community Council strongly supports the development and building of a permanent Hmong American Veterans Memorial located at Davis Park in Mountain View.

Approved by the Mountain View Community Council June 28, 2023 by a vote of eligible members present at a regular meeting with a count of  $\underline{10}$  in favor and  $\underline{0}$  opposed and  $\underline{0}$  abstained.

Phil Cannon, President

Jasmin Smith, Vice President