PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, twenty-one days after the attack on Pearl Harbor the United States Navy was assigned the task of forming a force of all types of construction men for duty in the Pacific. The force was called the United States Naval Construction Battalion and soon popularly became known as Seabees, and

WHEREAS, throughout World War II nearly a quarter of a million Seabees erected, dug and paved roadways, shore installations and air strips that were so necessary in bringing about the final defeat of our enemies in that great war, and

WHEREAS, during the Korean conflict our country was engaged in yet another terrible armed struggle with armed Communist aggression. With United Nations countries, our military forces were repulsing the Communist hordes who would seek to enslave the free world. In this bitter military action, the Seabees again were actively engaged in the amphibious landings and advance base installations that were needed, and

WHEREAS, the gallantry of the Seabees should especially be recognized on the thirteenth anniversary of their formation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. D. BAKER, Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, do hereby proclaim the 5th of March, 1955 as

SEABEE DAY

in the City of Las Vegas. I call to the attention of all our Citizens the proud record of the Seabees, and I urge the continued interest of construction men and all others in the expanding programs of the Seabees in the support of our Armed Forces.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Las Vegas this ____ day of February, 1955.

C. D. BAKER, Mayor

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