

PROCLAMATION

~IN RECOGNITION~

COLD WAR VICTORY DAY



***WHEREAS**, the Cold War (September 2, 1945 to December 26, 1991) was a long and costly struggle for freedom between the forces of democratic nations, led by the United States, against tyranny and brutality of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Cold War began after World War II with the threat of world domination in Europe and Asia by the Communist ideology and military action and that this unique war was marked by periodic confrontations between West and East including international crises such as Berlin Airlift in 1948, the Korean War, 1950-1953, the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962 and the Vietnam War, 1960-1975; and*

***WHEREAS**, the end of the longest undeclared war in the United States history began with the fall of the Berlin Wall, November 1989, and culminated with the collapse of the Soviet Union's Communist government in December 1991; and*

***WHEREAS**, thousands of Johnson Countians valiantly served in our nation's armed forces during this long conflict with many sacrificing their lives; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Cold War Veterans Association (CWVA)-a Johnson County-based, federally recognized Veterans' Service Organization-has identified May 1st as the day to commemorate our victory in the Cold War.*

***NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Board of County Commissioners of Johnson County, Kansas, does hereby proclaim May 1, 2011, as "**Cold War Victory Day**," and urges all citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.*

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS

BY _____

ED EILERT, CHAIRMAN