



Proclaiming March 5, 2023  
Seabee Day

**Whereas**, 2023 marks the 81<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the United States Naval Construction Force, known as the Seabees; and

**Whereas**, The Seabees refers to all personnel, officer and enlisted, in the United States Naval Construction Force or Construction Battalion, who are serving domestically and abroad; and

**Whereas**, The Seabees' unusual name comes from the pronunciation of C.B. for "construction battalions." This inspired the Seabee logo, which depicts a buzzing bee holding construction tools and a rifle.

**Whereas**, Approximately 14,000 Seabees serve throughout the world including active duty and reserve personnel; and

**Whereas**, Seabees provide a wide range of construction in support of operating forces, including roads, bridges, bunkers, airfields and logistics bases; provides responsive support disaster recovery operations; performs civic action projects to improve relations with other nations; and provides anti-terrorism and force protection for personnel and construction projects.

**Whereas**, during World War II, Seabees served on naval combat demolition units and were among the first ashore at Normandy on D-Day, responsible for dismantling the German-built barriers designed to prevent amphibious landings. Throughout our history, Seabees have worked tirelessly supporting the Korean War, Vietnam War and Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, and

**Whereas**, Seabees provide the Navy a specialized asset found nowhere else in the U.S. military. They dedicate their unmatched highly specialized trade skills and military prowess to protect our nation and are consistently involved in public works projects, disaster recovery initiatives and humanitarian efforts; and

**Whereas**, The Center for Seabees and Facilities Engineering (CSFE) trains today's Seabees as builders, construction electricians, construction mechanics, engineering aids, equipment operators, steelworkers and utilities men in Port Huizenga, California, Ventura County as well as Mississippi, Texas and Missouri.

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved**, The Ventura County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in honoring The Seabees on their 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

Presented on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023

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