## Town of Franklin A PROCLAMATION Honoring

## Lawrence (Larry) Paul Bederian

- WHEREAS, Lawrence Paul Bederian was raised in Franklin, Massachusetts and attended Franklin Public Schools; and
- **WHEREAS,** He enlisted in the Marine Corps on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1966, achieved the rank of Corporal, and served in the Corps until his honorable separation on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1969; and
- WHEREAS, He served in Vietnam and was awarded the Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal; and
- WHEREAS, He has served as the Commander of the VFW Post 3402 since 2005, as well as serving as Commander in the early 1990s; and
- WHEREAS, He has been designated as an All American Post Commander on two occasions by the National VFW Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, He has been designated as an All State Commander by the Massachusetts VFW Headquarters multiple times and continually supports and participates in civic functions and ceremonies recognizing our veterans.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN** that the Lawrence Paul Bederian is hereby commended and recognized by the Town Council of the Town of Franklin.



Thomas D. Mercer Chairman Franklin Town Council

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