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- 1. The thesis has systematized the source material on religious faiths. At the same time, it has applied the points of structural-functional theory and cultural region theory, combined with the results of field surveys. This clarification reveals the origin of the formation and development of the national hero Tran Van Thanh belief in An Giang province.
- 2. The thesis gathers legends about worshiped figures and clarifies the architectural characteristics, festival practice process, self-governing spirit, and reverential attitude of the people in the tabernacle of the national hero Tran Van Thanh. The formation of the Tran Van Thanh festival at the tabernacle is the result of the principle "Gratitude is the sign of noble souls" and the spirit of patriotism. It also represents the strong faith of An Giang residents in the figures who have made great contributions in the history of reclamation and fighting against foreign invaders to protect the country in the Southwest.
- 3. The thesis clarifies that the Tran Van Thanh belief is distinctive when compared to the beliefs associated with Nguyen Trung Truc, Thoai Ngoc Hau, and Nguyen Huu Canh. The incorporation of the Buu Son Ky Huong religion into the worship of Tran Van Thanh validates the appropriateness of the motto "good life, righteous religion", aligning with the cultural development strategy of An Giang province.
- 4. The thesis analyzes and evaluates the meaning and crucial role of the Tran Van Thanh belief in bolstering patriotism and community solidarity. It makes a practical contribution to building the cultural and spiritual life of the people in An Giang province.

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