

~PROCLAMATION~

WHEREAS, we are honored to pay tribute to the dedicated men and women who have served this great nation with distinction, both in peace time and in war, as members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, Americans have an abiding faith in the ideals and values on which our nation was founded, in our democratic process and in the women and men of the armed forces who have served our country so ably; and

WHEREAS, our community's gratitude to those who have given so much in the defense of freedoms we enjoy is evident in our ceremonies, monuments and programs; and

WHEREAS, November 11 was first proclaimed as Armistice Day in 1919 to honor American veterans of World War I on the anniversary of the signing of the agreement which ended the fighting; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation naming November 11 as a day to honor all veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Clark County Council, urge citizens to thank veterans for their sacrifice and service, and we pray for the safe return of service members now abroad, and we ask that those who gave the full measure of devotion be remembered every day, but especially Friday, November 11, 2016,

~VETERANS DAY~

Signed this 8th day of November 2016

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