

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** it has been our custom to commemorate November 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War I, by paying tribute to the heroes of that tragic struggle and by rededicating ourselves to the cause of peace; and
- WHEREAS,** in the intervening years the United States has been involved in other great military conflicts, which have added millions of veterans living and dead to the honor rolls of this great nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 (44 Stat. 1982), calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an act approved May 13, 1938 (52 Stat. 351), that the eleventh of November should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and
- WHEREAS,** in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this Nation, the Congress, by act approved June 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 168), changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, CARTER M. HENDRICKS, Mayor of Hopkinsville, and STEVE TRIBBLE, Judge/Executive of Christian County, do hereby call upon all our citizens to observe Saturday, November 11, 2017, as Veterans Day. On November 11, let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores to preserve our heritage of freedom. Also, let us consecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain. We also direct the appropriate government officials to arrange for displays of the United States flag on all public buildings on this day. In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations and the entire citizenry will join hands in this common purpose.

SIGNED THIS 11th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017.

CARTER M. HENDRICKS, Mayor
City of Hopkinsville

STEVE TRIBBLE, Judge/Executive
Christian County