

## Town of Highland Beach, Florida

## Proclamation

Recognition of Veterans Day, November 11, 2022

**WHEREAS,** November 11 is Veterans Day, a federal holiday that is meant to honor all veterans of the uniformed services who served or are still serving during times of peace as well as war; and

**WHEREAS,** Veterans Day has its origins at the end of World War I when at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, the fighting ended with the signing of an armistice; and

**WHEREAS,** on November 11th, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson formally declared the day as Armistice Day in order to reflect on and honor the sacrifices made by service members during World War I; and.

WHEREAS, the name was changed to Veterans' Day by an Act of Congress on May 24, 1954. In October of that year, President Eisenhower called on all citizens to observe the day by remembering the sacrifices of all those who fought so gallantly and through rededication to the task of promoting an enduring peace. The President referred to the change of name to Veterans' Day in honor of the servicemen of all America's wars; and

WHEREAS, we recognize all active duty veterans serving around the word today; and

**WHEREAS,** the theme for Veterans Day 2022 is "Honor." Veterans are proud of their military service in defending our Nation. Honor reflects the military value and tradition of answering the call to duty. There is distinct honor in serving to protect our way of life and the Constitution of the United States of America.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I DOUGLAS HILLMAN, MAYOR** of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, on behalf of the Town Commission do hereby acknowledge and recognize November 11, 2022, as



We call upon all Highland Beach residents to commend and thank our veterans for their courage, honor, and dedication to the United States Armed Forces.

**IN WITNESS WHEREFORE,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 2022.

DOUGLAS HILLMAN MAYOR