

Whereas, it has long been our custom to commemorate November 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War 1, 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 Nation; and,

Whereas, Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926, calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an act approved May 13, 1938, that November 11 should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and,

Whereas, in order to expand the significance of the 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 an act approved June 1, 1954, changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day.

Now, Therefore, I, Richard E. McCraw, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of King, and on behalf of our City Council and all our citizens, in keeping with the time-honored tradition of recognizing and honoring our veterans, do hereby call upon the citizenry of the City of King to participate in services and to observe the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month with expressions of gratitude to all veterans known to them and to further extend this gratitude to the families of deceased veterans and to 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, and let us re-consecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain.

Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of King to be affixed this the 3rd day of November in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-five.

Richard E. McCraw, Mayor City of King