

WHEREAS, Veterans Day is observed nationally on November 11 as a legal public holiday to honor and thank all veterans who served in the Armed Forces in wartime or peacetime; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day was originally known as Armistice Day, which signified the signing of the armistice on November 11, 1918, ending the First World War; and

WHEREAS, President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed in 1954 that Armistice Day would be known as Veterans Day and would "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

WHEREAS, President Eisenhower further proclaimed that Veterans Day presents all citizens with the opportunity to "reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain."

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park do hereby proclaim November 11 the legal commemoration of, and Friday, November 10 observed as

VETERANS DAY 2023

and encourage all citizens of the City of Lake Forest Park to acknowledge and to thank those who have served our country in the Armed Forces.

Signed this 28th day of October, 2023.

Jeff Johnson, Mayor	