# PROCLAMATION

**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, 2026 the legal commemoration and observance of

## VETERANS DAY

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

Signed this 22nd day of October 2026

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Tom French, Mayor