Proclamation

DECLARING NOVEMBER 11, 2022 AS VETERANS DAY

Whereas, Throughout American history, generations of patriots have bravely served in our military and sacrificed much to protect our country and preserve democracy around the world; and

Whereas, More than 125,000 American men and women have been held captive by hostile powers during their military service, and more than 83,000 Americans remain missing from World War II, the Korean War, the Cold War, the Vietnam War, and the Gulf War; and

Whereas, In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the first Veterans Day proclamation calling on our nation to "pay appropriate homage to the Veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this nation"; and

Whereas, Our Nation has fought and continues to fight battles around the world. The words of that first proclamation still ring true. "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 and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain"; and

Whereas, We remember with somber and grateful hearts those men and women who have served the United States of America with distinction and valor as sailors, soldiers, airmen and Marines and offer our sincere prayers for those who continue to defend the principles on which our nation was founded; and

Whereas, The City of Salida, Colorado and surrounding area is home to more than 25,000 veterans and thousands of our military families. We are proud to recognize our country's Veterans and extended families and extend our appreciation of our citizens to those who wear the uniform of the United States Armed Forces and served or have served on the front lines preserving our freedoms and liberty.

Now, therefore, the City of Salida does hereby proclaim	
November 11, 2022, as VETERANS DAY in the City of Salida, and	
we urge all citizens to observe the sacrifices and contributions of our	
Veterans who fought for peace and defended democracy in our land	
and abroad.	
Dan Shore, Mayor	Date