



MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
COMMEMORATING 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF KRAUS HARTIG VFW
JULY 6, 2021

WHEREAS, Kraus Hartig VFW Post 6587 was chartered on April 4, 1946; and

WHEREAS, the post was named after P.F.C Richard Kraus, who was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor after falling upon a Japanese grenade to save his fellow comrades on October 3, 1944, and Lt. Fred Hartig, Jr., who was posthumously awarded the Meritorious Air Metal and Purple Heart, after engaging the enemy over the English Channel on January 24, 1944; and

WHEREAS, Kraus Hartig VFW has been serving veterans and the broader community since its founding in 1946 by supporting and advocating for veterans upon their return from war; providing free meeting space to non-profit organizations; sponsoring youth sports teams, band trips, Boy Scout troops and the Spring Lake Park Opportunities in Emergency Care; purchasing lifesaving equipment for police, fire and emergency services and supporting various community organizations; and

WHEREAS, Kraus Hartig VFW is an active partner with the City of Spring Lake Park, co-sponsoring the Tower Days community festival, the Senior Valentine Day luncheon and the Santa breakfast; providing space for numerous Recreation Department programs; donating funds to the City for the construction of the shooting range for the Police Department and serving as the home to the Spring Lake Park Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee; and

WHEREAS, this year represents the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Kraus Hartig VFW and it is fitting to recognize Kraus Hartig VFW for their many community accomplishments and contributions over the past 75 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Nelson, Mayor of the City of Spring Lake Park, do hereby proclaim July 6, 2021 as

KRAUS HARTIG VFW DAY

in the City of Spring Lake Park and do hereby thank the members of Kraus Hartig VFW Post 6587 for their service to our country and our community.

Dated this 6th day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

Robert Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel R. Buchholtz, City Clerk

