

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE DAY OF NOVEMBER 11, 2017, AS VETERANS DAY

WHEREAS, on May 13, 1938 Congress approved an Act designating November 11th as Armistice Day commemorating the end of World War I and paying tribute to the heroes of that war; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 1954 Congress approved an Act changing the name of Armistice Day to Veterans Day in order to also pay tribute to the veterans of World War II and veterans of all wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, over 15,000 veterans of all wars presently reside in Indian River County, which is host to 24 veteran organizations; and

WHEREAS, veterans residing in Indian River County individually and collectively as members of veteran organizations, contribute in many ways to the welfare and betterment of the social, cultural and economic life of Indian River County; and

WHEREAS, the Indian River County Veterans Council consisting of representatives from 24 City and County veteran organizations annually observe Veterans Day, as well as all patriotic observance days, by holding ceremonies at Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary in Vero Beach; and

WHEREAS, Indian River County and some of its prominent citizens of the past and present have established Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary as a place to commemorate and pay tribute to all veterans of all wars; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Vero Beach maintains, improves and makes Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary one of the finest veteran landmarks in the United States that pays tribute to all veterans that have served our Country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA that November 11, 2017 be designated as “**VETERANS DAY**” and the Board encourages all citizens to fly the American flag to pay tribute to all veterans living and deceased and to attend the Veterans Day service at 8:45 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary on Friday, November 11, 2017.

Adopted this 7th day of November, 2017.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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