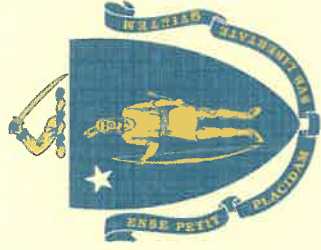


The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

Whereas, Since the Commonwealth's earliest days, thousands of men and women have served our country in defense of freedom and liberty; and

Whereas, On November 11th, 1918, after four years of conflict, the Armistice was signed in the Forest of Compiègne by the Allied Nations and Germany, ending World War I
-- "The War to End All Wars"; and

Whereas, Since that day, every November, people from around the nation have gathered to honor our veterans; and

Whereas, In November 2023, the world will commemorate the 105th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the fighting in World War I at 11:00 a.m., November 11th, 1918 -- the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month,

Whereas, There are approximately 300,000 veterans living in Massachusetts; and

Whereas, Today we are reminded of the great sacrifices and contributions our veterans have made to our country; and

Whereas, We honor and salute those who served our country throughout the generations with honor, patriotism and courage; and

Whereas, It is appropriate that all Massachusetts citizens remember the bravery of those who served their country, so that their dedication and sacrifices serve as a reminder of the cost of our freedom; and

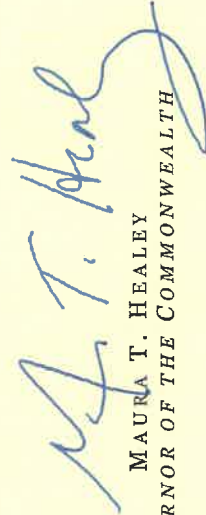
Now, Therefore, I, Maura T. Healey, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim November 11th, 2023, to be,

VETERANS DAY

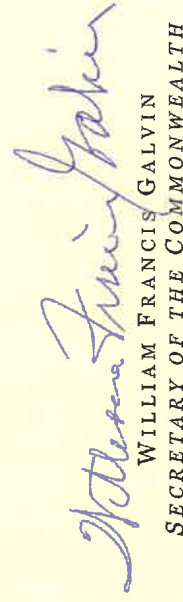
And urge all residents of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this eleventh day of November, in the year two thousand and twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-seventh.

BY HER EXCELLENCY


MAURA T. HEALEY
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH


KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH


WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts