Proclamation Recognizing Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Canada

WHEREAS, the 11th of November, 1918, marked the cessation of combat in what was then the most destructive and far-reaching war in history; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, following World War I officially recognized that the recurring anniversary of this date, which would come to be known as Armistice Day, should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and

WHEREAS. Congress amended its earlier legislation in 1954 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans" thereby expressing its intent that November 11th should be a day to honor American veterans of all wars: and

WHEREAS, the freedoms we enjoy today are protected by our men and women in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, these protectors of liberty put their lives on the line every day to safeguard our way of life; and

WHEREAS, Canada, our neighbor, our partner in defense and our trusted ally, honors its military on this day also, calling it Remembrance Day; and

WHEREAS, families in both countries have stood by proudly as their sons, daughters, husbands and wives answered the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, we who have benefited from their painful and many sacrifices are grateful and appreciative of their selfless efforts; and

WHEREAS, more than 98,000 veterans call the Pikes Peak region home and all residents. of El Paso County, Colorado, should join in the pride and appreciation to all

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of El Paso County Commissioners recognizes November 11, 2018, as Veterans Day in El Paso County and encourages all El Paso County citizens to extend the heartfelt greeting, "Thank you for your service" to each and every veteran they meet.

DONE THIS 6th day of November 2018 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.



ATTEST:

Chuck Broerman County Clerk and Recorder THE BOARD OF COUNTY **COMMISSIONERS**

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