

# Community Proclamation

WHEREAS, the American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 on September 16<sup>th</sup> as a wartime veterans organization based on the four pillars of Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the American Legion has become a preeminent community-service organization which now numbers more than 2.5 million members -- men and women -- in over 14,000 American Legion posts worldwide working a variety of programs that support the four pillars and benefit our nation's veterans, its service members, their families, the youth of America and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the members of the American Legion are dedicated to upholding the ideals of freedom and democracy, while working to make a difference in the lives of fellow Americans; and

WHEREAS, the (insert year) observance of American Legion Day provides an opportunity to recognize Legionnaires in our community for their many contributions to our community ( or state).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, (name), (position or title) of the City (or State) of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert city & state) do hereby proclaim September 16, (insert year), as

## THE AMERICAN LEGION DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this (written day of month), in the year of our Lord two thousand (insert year).

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