0/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/ PROCLAMATION @@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/@@/ **WHEREAS,** in 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I, then known as "the Great War;" and WHEREAS, commemorated in many countries as Armistice Day, the following year, November 11 became a federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became known as Veterans Day; and **WHEREAS,** each year on November 11, we pause to remember all men and women who throughout history served bravely and selflessly served in America's armed forces, preserving our strength and security as a Nation; and **WHEREAS**, we commemorate the honorable legacy and sacrifices of our veterans – those lost and those who thankfully are with us today; and **WHEREAS,** on this Veterans Day, we salute their bravery and dedication to the defense of our democracy and the sovereignty of freedomloving nations around the world; and NOW, THEREFORE, I, Julie Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby call upon all residents to observe November 11, 2025, as **VETERANS DAY** and ask that the holiday be commemorated with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have served and are serving to preserve the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy. **DATED** this tenth day of November, 2025. Julie Hoy Mayor 00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/00/