

## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

**WHEREAS**, each year, on November 11, we pause to remember the men and women who throughout history served bravely and selflessly in America's armed forces, preserving our strength and security as a Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, on Veterans Day, we commemorate the honorable legacy and sacrifices of our veterans – both those lost and those who thankfully are with us today; and

**WHEREAS**, America has been blessed with an abundance of such men and women throughout its history, who courageously battled in World Wars I and II, Korea, Vietnam, and the Middle East; and

**WHEREAS**, on this Veterans Day, we salute their bravery and dedication to the defense of our democracy and the sovereignty of freedom-loving nations around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nation and the free world are eternally grateful for the contributions of American veterans, men and women, and to the advancement of the cause of world peace; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby call upon all residents to observe November 11, 2020, 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 ninth day of November, 2020.



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Chuck Bennett  
Mayor