

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 11, 2023, AS VETERANS DAY IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

This proclamation declares November 11, 2023, to be Veterans Day in the City of Hyattsville, recognizing and honoring heroes past and present from the United States Armed Forces.

WHEREAS, the origins of Veterans Day date back to November 11, 1918, when the armistice ending World War I went into effect; Veterans Day is one of two special days for those who have served in the United States Military. The first, Memorial Day, is a day of great reflection and remembrance to honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice. The second day, Veterans Day is a day of great celebration for all who have served.

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of veterans are a reminder that freedom is not free, and we are forever indebted to the millions of service members who serve and fight in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the significant sacrifices also made by the family members who support the servicepeople who have fought to preserve our liberties; and

WHEREAS, so many of our veterans carry the scars from their service ---both visible and invisible---Veteran's Day is an opportunity to recommit to governance that is responsive to the needs of our veterans, their families, caregivers, and survivors; and

WHEREAS, Hyattsville and surrounding municipalities within Prince George's County have approximately 55,000 veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we honor and recognize the dedication and valor that veterans *continue* to display as they protect our freedom and democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council, with the utmost respect and gratitude for the more than 21.8 million veterans who have faithfully served our country in the Armed Forces, hereby proclaim November 11, 2023, to be Veterans Day in the City of Hyattsville.

Robert Croslin
Mayor, City of Hyattsville

November 6, 2023

