

Proclamation

Veterans Day 2013

WHEREAS, it has long been our custom to commemorate November 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War I, by paying tribute to the heroes of that tragic struggle and by rededicating ourselves to the cause of peace; and

WHEREAS, in the intervening years the United States has been involved in several other great military conflicts, which have added millions of veterans living and dead to the honor rolls of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 (44 Stat. 1982), calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an Act approved May 13, 1938 (52 Stat. 351), that the eleventh of November should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and

WHEREAS, in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this Nation, the Congress, by an Act approved June 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 168), changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day:

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Milton, hereby call upon all of our citizens to observe Monday, November 11, 2013, as Veterans Day. On that day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom, and let us consecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain.

Given under my hand and seal of the City of Milton, Georgia on this 4th day of November 2013.





Joe Lockwood, Mayor