



PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF INYO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 11, 2021 AS VETERANS DAY

WHEREAS, America's veterans have fought to defend our country, its values, and its interests since the first days of our founding; they have defeated tyrants, eliminated terrorists, and secured freedom at home and abroad, and their courage and fortitude in the face of adversity serve as an example for all Americans;

WHEREAS, our veterans represent the best of America, and they deserve the best America can provide them; and

WHEREAS, to recognize and respect the contributions our service men and women have made in defense of America, and to advance the cause of peace, the Congress has provided, as outlined in 5 U.S.C. 6103(a), that November 11th of each year shall be set aside as a legal public holiday to recognize all of America's veterans – living or dead; and

WHEREAS, almost 33 million American men and women have bravely served their nation during World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the War on Terrorism; and

WHEREAS, these Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen selflessly placed lives, well-being, and security of others before their own so that we may enjoy the privileges of peace, prosperity, and freedom – and we are forever indebted to them beyond measures; and

WHEREAS, for their love of country and dedication to duty, America's veterans have endured adversity, loneliness, fatigue, loss, and made many other incredible sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, many veterans suffered life-altering physical injuries and disabilities, while others bear the burden of emotional and psychological scars for the remainder of their lives; and

WHEREAS, our Nation's veterans fully understand liberty's high and precious cost, for they have paid it every day since the formation of our Republic; and

WHEREAS, 18.2 million living veterans served during at least one war as of 2018, and these military men and women come from all walks of life; they are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors, and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities; and

WHEREAS, we owe all veterans our unending gratitude and the promise to never forget their faithful, humble, and valiant service in times of war and peace or their sacrifices, we also must do our utmost to support those military service personnel returning home to live productive civilian lives; and

WHEREAS, tragically, an average of 20 veterans and service members die by suicide each day, and our Nation must make the mental health and welfare of our veterans a top priority; and

WHEREAS, our precious liberty has survived and thrived because of generations of brave Americans – from every background and walk of life – who have answered the call to support and defend the United States; and

WHEREAS, the gravity of these heroes’ contribution is immeasurable and so is our debt to every single one of our Nation’s veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors does hereby and gratefully honor the valor, sacrifice, and dutiful service of our Nation’s veterans, past and present, by recognizing November 11, 2021 as Veterans Day in Inyo County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors calls upon the people of Inyo to participate in community service in honor of our veterans, to support efforts to provide for and improve the well-being of our military service men and women, and to never take your hard-fought freedom for granted.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of November 2021, by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors.



Jeff Griffiths,
Chairperson,
County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

Attest: *LESLIE L. CHAPMAN*
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
Assistant Clerk of the Board