

# PROCLAMATION

## BOROUGH OF RED BANK

### VETERANS DAY

**WHEREAS** the 11th of November 1918, marked the cessation of the most destructive, gruesome, and far-reaching war in human histories and the resumption by the people of the United States of peaceful relations with other nations, which we hope may never again be severed; and

**WHEREAS** on October 8, 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the first "Veterans Day Proclamation" which stated: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose; and

**WHEREAS** Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11<sup>th</sup>, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11<sup>th</sup> not only preserves the historical significance of the date but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. As we carry on the struggle for liberty and universal human rights, let us draw strength from a moment when free nations beat back the forces of oppression and gave new hope to the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on behalf of the Borough Council, I, William Portman, Mayor of the Borough of Red Bank, encourage all Americans to recognize the valor and sacrifice of all veterans through public ceremonies and private prayers not just on Veteran's Day but every day.



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William Portman, Mayor