

Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, America salutes the men and women who have served in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S. Flag Merchant Marines; and
- WHEREAS, Countless Kentuckians have served our country to preserve our country's democracy and freedom and to protect people around the world; and
- WHEREAS, The people of the Commonwealth publicly and personally recognize the valor and sacrifice of our veterans and express our appreciation through ceremonies and prayer; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky and the nation traditionally celebrate Veterans Day each year on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month; and
- WHEREAS, Along with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs, we also recognized 2015 as "The Year of the Woman Veteran" for the more than 24,000 women veterans in our state - nearly ten percent of our total veteran population; and
- WHEREAS, We continue this year to participate in activities commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Vietnam War; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky will commemorate the centennial of World War I by recognizing the enormous sacrifice made by American soldiers to turn the tide of that war and establish the United States as a military ally other nations can count on; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky is opening the Radcliff Veterans Center, its fourth state veterans nursing home, to accommodate our greatest concentration of veterans and ensure they receive the finest care when they need it; and
- WHEREAS, We are about to build our fifth state Veterans Cemetery to ensure all our veterans have a secure, dignified resting place close to loved ones;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim November 8-14, 2015, as

VETERANS APPRECIATION WEEK

in Kentucky, and encourage its observance.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 5th day of November, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen and in the 224th year of the Commonwealth.

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STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Alison Lundergan Grimes in black ink, written over a horizontal line.
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SECRETARY OF STATE

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