

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS:** A tolling of bells is a traditional expression of honor and remembrance; and

**WHEREAS:** A century ago, 4.7 million American sons and daughters put on the uniform to serve our nation and the world in this global conflict; and

**WHEREAS:** Men and women from Bentonville served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and

**WHEREAS:** There were 375,000 American casualties including 116,516 deaths; and

**WHEREAS:** On the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918, an armistice to the fighting was declared; and

**WHEREAS:** The U. S. World War One Centennial Commission has called upon all Americans across the nation to honor and remember those who served.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I Bob McCaslin, Mayor of the City of Bentonville do hereby call upon the citizens and institutions of our community to toll the bells in remembrance of the Armistice at 11:00 a.m. local time on November 11, 2018.

Given this 1st day of November, 2018, in Bentonville, in the great State of Arkansas, in the United States of America.



Bob McCaslin, Mayor  
City of Bentonville

