



Office of the Mayor

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 our own fair city of Bettendorf served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and*

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

WHEREAS, *on the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th 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, Robert S. Gallagher, Mayor of the City of Bettendorf 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.

DATED *this 6th day of November, 2018.*



Mayor Robert S. Gallagher

