



## PROCLAMATION

# “BELLS of PEACE”

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### A WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL ARMISTICE REMEMBRANCE

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**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 Bonita Springs 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, on 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, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Bonita Springs, in the state of Florida does 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.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Peter Simmons", is written over a horizontal line.

Peter Simmons, Mayor

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Date