Bells of Peace: A World War I Remembrance

Greg Lavorgna made the resolution to adopt the following Proclamation:

A National Tolling of Bells to Honor Those Who Served in the Great War

WHEREAS, a century ago 4.7 million American families sent their sons and daughters off to World War I; and

WHEREAS, men and women from the Town of Colchester served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and

WHEREAS, 116,516 Americans gave their lives in the war, and more than 200,000 were wounded; and

WHEREAS, the tolling of bells is a traditional expression of honor and remembrance; and

WHEREAS, in November 2018 the world will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the fighting in World War I at 11:00am, November 11, 1918 – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2018, the United States World War I Centennial Commission called upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I on Armistice Day, November 11, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Colchester does hereby call upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I at 11:00am on November 11, 2018.

Resolution was seconded by Julie Markert, Mark Mattson-aye, Julie Markert-aye, Greg Lavorgna-aye, Arthur Merrill-aye, Janet Champlin-absent, resolution declared adopted.