



By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an  
**Official Statement**

*W*HEREAS, a century ago, 4.7 million American families sent their sons and daughters to serve in World War I, a conflict which would change the course of human history; and

*W*HEREAS, more than 26,000 men and women from the State of Connecticut served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and

*W*HEREAS, 116,516 Americans gave their lives in the war, and over 1,900 of those who left Connecticut to serve would never return; and

*W*HEREAS, the tolling of bells has been a traditional expression of honor and remembrance in our Nation's history; and

*W*HEREAS, in November of 2018, the world will commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armistice that ended World War I at 11:00 a.m., November 11, 1918 – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month; and

*W*HEREAS, the United States World War I Centennial Commission has called upon all Americans across the Nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I on this centennial Armistice Day, concurrent with Veterans Day, November 11, 2018; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby call upon the people of Connecticut, our Towns and Cities, our seniors and youth, our parents and teachers, our houses of worship and historic sites, our American Legion and VFW posts, our businesses and union halls, and every common gathering place in our shared civic life, to join in

**A NATIONAL TOLLING OF BELLS OF PEACE**

in the State of Connecticut, in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armistice, and those who served in World War I, at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2018.



  
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