



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

**FLORIDA'S CELEBRATION OF THE 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF WORLD WAR I  
REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**WHEREAS**, a century ago, Floridians in all branches of service were sent overseas to fight in World War I as part of the American Expeditionary Force, alongside service members from Britain and France; and

**WHEREAS**, a total of 42,030 Floridians served in the war, and the resources of our entire nation and of Florida were brought to bear on the war effort; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 116,000 Americans sacrificed their lives in the war, including 1,134 Floridians; and

**WHEREAS**, all of these brave service veterans should be remembered and honored for sacrificing and risking their own lives to protect the United States, the allies, and our freedoms; and

**WHEREAS**, on the 11th hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month of the year 1918, the war finally ended with an armistice agreement between the warring countries; and

**WHEREAS**, the world will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended the fighting on November 11, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, tolling bells is a traditional expression of honor and remembrance, and organizations and individuals will toll bells at 11:00 a.m., November 11, 2018, in honor and remembrance of the brave individuals who served in World War I;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing November 11, 2018, as *World War I Remembrance Day*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 24th day of October, in the year two thousand eighteen.



  
Governor