



In Recognition of

Bells of Peace: A World War I Remembrance

WHEREAS, World War I, also known as the Great War, began in Europe on July 28, 1914 and ended with an armistice signed on November 11, 1918; and

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

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

WHEREAS, on June 1, 1918 more than 5,500 soldiers of the Hawai'i Guard were mobilized for active duty service, the largest mobilization in Hawai'i National Guard history to date; and

WHEREAS, more than 100 men from Hawai'i died in World War I, and the Waikiki Natatorium War Memorial, a salt water swimming pool, was completed in 1927 to honor the men and women who served during WWI; and

WHEREAS, the United States World War I Centennial Commission calls upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I; and

WHEREAS, bells will be rung at the Waikiki Natatorium War Memorial and across America on November 11, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.—the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month—to mark the 100th anniversary of the Armistice of 11 November 1918; and

WHEREAS, the tolling of bells is a traditional expression of reverence and remembrance used to honor the fallen;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, will observe the national tolling of bells on November 11, 2018 to honor those who served in the Great War to defend freedom, to recognize the centennial of the Armistice and to salute the patriotism of our citizens, and encourage the people of Hawai'i to continue to work together toward peace so that the efforts and sacrifices of our veterans will not be in vain.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of October 2018.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



DOUGLAS S. CHIN
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i