Proclamation
Office of the Mayor

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

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 our own fair community of La Porte, Texas, served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and

WHEREAS, there were 375,000 American casualties, including 116,516 deaths; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2018, the world will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the fighting in World War I at 11:00 a.m., the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th 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, I, Louis R. Rigby, Mayor, do hereby call upon all residents of La Porte to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2018.

"Bells of Peace"
A WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL ARMISTICE REMEMBRANCE

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed hereto, this the 22nd day of October, 2018.

Louis R. Rigby, Mayor