



John Bel Edwards
GOVERNOR

COMMENDATION

- WHEREAS,** a century ago, 4.7 million American families sent their sons and daughters off to World War I; and
- WHEREAS,** hundreds of men and women from Louisiana 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 11:00 a.m., 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, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby call upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2018.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 11th day of November A. D., 2018.

John Bel Edwards
Governor