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

WHEREAS, the resources of our entire nation were brought to bear on the war effort; 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.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2018 to be

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in Missouri and 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 TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 8th day of August, 2018.