



# OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

~ *Office of the Mayor* ~

SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

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

**WHEREAS,** A century ago, 4.7 million American sons and daughters put on the uniform to serve our nation and the world in this global conflict; and

**WHEREAS,** Men and women from our own fair City of Schenectady, New York served selflessly and honorably in World War I; and

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

**WHEREAS,** On the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918, an armistice to the fighting was declared; and

**WHEREAS,** The U.S. World War One Centennial Commission has called upon all Americans across the nation to honor and remember those who served.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GARY MCCARTHY, Mayor of the City of Schenectady,** do hereby call upon the citizens and institutions of the City of Schenectady to toll the bells in remembrance of the Armistice at 11:00 a.m. local time on **November 11, 2018.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I Have Hereunto  
Set My Hand and Cause the Seal of the City of  
Schenectady to be Affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
November, 2018**

*Gary R. McCarthy*

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