

# Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, since the founding of our nation, tens of millions of Americans have served in the Armed Forces to defend our nation in times of war and protect our freedom in times of peace; and

**WHEREAS**, a century ago, 4.7 million Americans fought and sacrificed during World War I; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming provided more men per capita for the armed services than any other state in the union during the Great War; and

**WHEREAS**, 111,516 Americans gave their lives in the war, and more than 200,000 were wounded; and

**WHEREAS**, the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918 has been commemorated as Armistice Day; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1954, Armistice Day was renamed to Veterans Day to commemorate the service and sacrifice of all veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, nothing we say or do can fully express the depths of our gratitude for the historic service and sacrifice of our World War I veterans or the brave men and women of our armed forces; and

**WHEREAS**, as a reminder of the price we pay for the freedom we cherish, we have an obligation to honor the valor and service of each and every veteran.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2018 as

## VETERANS DAY

and

## WORLD WAR I REMEMBRANCE DAY

in Wyoming, and encourage residents to display the American flag and to recognize and celebrate the service of all veterans who have served our state and nation and to toll the bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I at 11 a.m. on November 11, 2018

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 7 day of November, 2018.



A blue ink signature of Matthew H. Mead.

Matthew H. Mead  
Governor