### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT:	Proclamation of Veterans Appreciation Day City Manager's Office/CCK
PRESENTED BY:	Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk
ACTION:	Ordinance Resolution Motion   Discussion Public Hearing X

#### **ISSUE STATEMENT:**

November 11, 1919 was initially proclaimed as Armistice Day to honor the country's World War I Veterans. To pay homage to Veterans of all wars, on June 1, 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower signed into law the renaming of Armistice Day to Veterans Day.

Sunday, November 11, 2018 marks the 64<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Veterans Day in the United States. This proclamation recognizes the dedication and sacrifice that the Veterans of our community, state, and country have made for the cause of freedom and peace.

Major General Raymond Coffey, Chair of the Shoreline Veterans Association, Commander Larry Fisher, Shoreline American Legion, and Colonel (Ret.) Sonny Alvarez, Vietnam Veterans of America, will be present to accept the proclamation. Major General Coffey will act as the spokesperson for the group.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Mayor Hall should read the Veterans Appreciation Day Proclamation.

#### ATTACHMENT:

Attachment A – Veterans Day Proclamation



# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Our Great Nation was founded on the belief that all Americans are created equal, and are guaranteed the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and our nation's Veterans have sacrificed to preserve and protect our country and constitution from all enemies foreign and domestic; and

WHEREAS, November 11, 1919, was initially proclaimed as "Armistice Day" to honor our country's World War I Veterans, and in order for a grateful Nation to pay homage to Veterans of all wars, on June 1, 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower, signed into law the renaming of Armistice Day to Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life we enjoy today was purchased at great cost by the unselfish devotion of these Veterans, as many of our soldiers lost their lives during wars to defend our freedom, and some are still missing in action; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline recognizes the contributions of the men and women in the military who have served our country, and who continue to serve their communities; and on Monday, November 12, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at Shoreline City Hall, the Shoreline Veterans Association is hosting their annual Veterans Day event to honor local Veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2018 as

## **VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY**

in the City of Shoreline, and urge all citizens to honor the sacrifices of the loyal and courageous Veterans who have given so much for the cause of peace.

Will Hall, Mayor