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## **PROCLAMATION**

Veteran's Day 2025

WHEREAS, Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice Day, was first observed on November 11, 1919, to honor the heroism of those who served in World War I. In 1954, the day was renamed Veterans Day to recognize and honor all who have served in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, this day stands as a solemn reminder of the courage, sacrifice, and dedication of all who have defended our nation in times of war and peace; and

**WHEREAS**, people from a variety of backgrounds, faiths, genders, and identities have proudly served in the U.S. Armed Forces, united in their shared commitment to protect our nation and uphold the principles of freedom and equality; and

**WHEREAS,** according to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than 15 million Americans have served in our nation's military. Each has played a vital role in safeguarding our freedoms, strengthening our democracy, and enriching our communities; and

WHEREAS, Joliet Township honors all veterans, past and present, for their service, their families for their steadfast support, and all who continue to protect our nation with courage and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day is not only a day of remembrance but also a reminder that every day is an opportunity to honor Veterans. Residents can participate in parades and ceremonies, visit local Veterans Memorials, thank Veterans personally, volunteer with organizations that support Veterans, donate to Veteran causes, and display the U.S. flag to recognize their service, sacrifice, and dedication to our nation and community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Joliet Township Government hereby proclaims November 11, 2025, as **Veterans Day** in Joliet Township, and encourages all residents to honor the sacrifices of our veterans, extend appreciation to their families.

**ADOPTED** on this 18th day of November 2025.

ATTEST:

Kendra Landfair, Township Clerk

Cesar Guerrero, Township Supervisor

