



PROCLAMATION NO. P18-_____

A PROCLAMATION COMMEMORATING THE WORLD WAR I PEACE ARMISTICE

A National Tolling of Bells to Honor Those Who Served in the Great War

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

WHEREAS, men and women from the State of Illinois and the area that would soon become the Village of Westmont served selflessly and honorably in World War I;

WHEREAS, 116,516 Americans gave their lives in the war, and more than 200,000 were wounded;

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;

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2018, the United States World War I Centennial Commission called upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served in World War I on Armistice Day, November 11, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Westmont does hereby call upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells in remembrance of those who served our country in World War I at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2018.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois, this 8th day of November, 2018.

Ayes: ____ Nays: ____ Absent: ____

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor