PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Veterans Day has its origins in the armistice which brought World War I to a conclusion at 11 a.m. on November 11, 1918; and

WHEREAS, the Allied victory in World War I affirmed the strength of great nations acting together for high purposes; and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States caused through their elected representatives the designation of November 11 as a federal legal holiday, which in 1954 became officially known thereafter as Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day continues to be celebrated and commemorated with solemn observances in honor of all Americans who have served their country in times of war and conflict; and

WHEREAS, the courage, honor, sacrifice, and dedication which veterans of the United States armed forces have displayed in the cause of justice, freedom, and democracy are most worthy of recognition.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor of the City of Benson, Arizona, do hereby call upon all citizens to commend America's veterans and observe with solemn pride November 11, 2016 as Veterans Day and to take part in as many ceremonies and events as possible to honor these men and women.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Benson, Arizona on this 24th day of October, 2016.

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TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor

ATTEST:

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VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk

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