

WHEREAS, it is one of the responsibilities of the Mayor of the City of Westerville to recognize occasions of outstanding significance; and

WHEREAS, tens of millions of Americans have served in the United States Armed Forces, with hundreds of thousands paying the ultimate sacrifice with their lives; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Veteran's Day was established to honor all who had fought in various American wars and for citizens to observe the day by remembering the sacrifices of all those who fought so gallantly to promote an enduring peace, and

WHEREAS, Veteran's Day is a day for every American, no matter what race, religion or political affiliation they may be, to contemplate the price of our liberty; and

WHEREAS, Veteran's Day is an opportunity to publicly commemorate the contributions of living veterans and a time to consider the legacy of freedom and liberty that has been passed to us;

THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Cocuzzi, Mayor of the City of Westerville, Ohio, do hereby proclaim, Monday, November 11, 2013 as

“ VETERAN’S DAY ”

in Westerville and I urge all citizens to recognize the valor and sacrifice of our veterans through ceremonies, prayers, and participation in patriotic activities in our community.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused my seal to be affixed this 4th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Thirteen.

Kathleen Cocuzzi, Mayor