



# PROCLAMATION “Bells of Peace”

## A World War I Centennial Armistice Remembrance

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

WHEREAS, a tolling of bells is traditional expression of honor and remembrance;

WHEREAS, a century ago, 4.7 million American sons and daughters put on the uniform to serve our nation and the world in this global conflict;

WHEREAS, men and women from of Cascade County served selflessly and honorable in World War I;

WHEREAS, the men and women of Cascade County not in uniform also provided vast amounts of grain, wool, meat and the world’s primary source of refined copper products for the US and Allied war effort;

WHEREAS, the men and women of Cascade County and Montana served in numbers greater per capita than other states;

WHEREAS, there were 375,000 American casualties including 116,516 deaths;

WHEREAS, on the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918, an armistice to the fighting was declared;

WHEREAS, the U.S. World War One Centennial Commission has called upon all Americans across the nation to honor and remember those who served;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CASCADE COUNTY, do hereby call upon the citizens and institutions of our county to toll the bells in remembrance of the Armistice at 11:00 a.m. local time on NOVEMBER 11, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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