

Proclamation

RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE AS A PURPLE HEART CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Roseville has a proud history of supporting our active military and veteran population; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart Medal is the oldest military medal in the nation, established by General George Washington at Newburgh, New York, on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart Medal was the first award made available to the common soldier, and is specifically awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been wounded in combat or have paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms being killed in action against a declared enemy of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Military Order of the Purple Heart is to foster an environment of goodwill among combat-wounded veterans and their families, promote patriotism, support legislative initiatives, and most importantly, to make sure that we never forget the sacrifices of our military service men and women; and

WHEREAS, Roseville has a large veteran population with many of its veterans being Purple Heart recipients; and

WHEREAS, the City of Roseville has always supported its military population given the community's great admiration for all the men and women selflessly serving their country in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the City of Roseville appreciates the sacrifices each Purple Heart recipient made in defending our freedom and believe it is of the utmost importance that they be acknowledged, not just on National Purple Heart Day (August 7) and Veterans Day within this city in recognition of their courage and observance of their honor.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRUCE HOUESHELDT, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE, CALIFORNIA, do hereby proclaim **THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE** as a **PURPLE HEART CITY**, honoring the service and sacrifice of the men and women in uniform, wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect our freedom and encourage the citizens of Roseville to show their appreciation for the sacrifice each Purple Heart recipient made while defending the right to freedom under the banner of our Nation's flag.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this 1st day of November 2023.



BRUCE HOUESHELDT, MAYOR