

**PROCLAMATION
VETERANS DAY 2015**

WHEREAS, the freedoms we enjoy as Americans have been purchased and maintained at a high price throughout our history; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the original 13 states, Americans have been willing to fight and die to preserve their individual rights as guaranteed in the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS, we owe a great debt to those who have served in defense of this nation; and

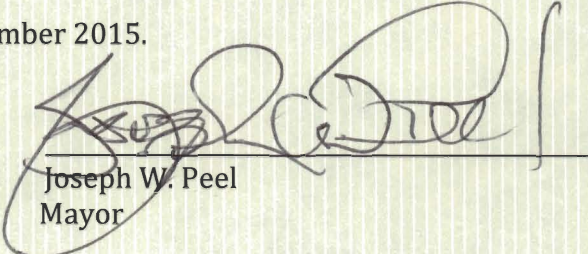
WHEREAS, throughout the generations, their sacrifices have preserved our unique form of government dedicated to human rights and respect for the individual; and

WHEREAS, for many, that sacrifice ended in permanent injury or death, yet their spirit remains in continued preservation of our freedoms and the promise of liberty established as an example for all oppressed persons of the world; and

WHEREAS, in honor of these dedicated men and women, we pledge continued defense of our nation so that their sacrifice will stand before the entire world as a tribute to the spirit and determination of people dedicated to the principles of freedom and democracy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph W. Peel, Mayor of the City of Elizabeth City, do hereby call upon the citizenry of Elizabeth City to participate in services and to observe the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month with expressions of gratitude to all veterans known to them and to further extend this gratitude to the families of deceased veterans and to solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom. Let us re-consecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain.

PROCLAIMED, this the 9th day of November 2015.



Joseph W. Peel
Mayor

ATTEST:



Vivian D. White, CMC/NCCMC
City Clerk