

Resolution No. 2020 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020 AS MEMORIAL DAY, A DAY TO HONOR AMERICANS WHO DIED FIGHTING IN ANY WAR

WHEREAS, Monday, May 25, 2020 is a day of remembrance for those who died in our nation's service. We gather to remember, to reflect and to honor the men and women of the United States who died while in military service and to especially honor those residents of Solano County who made the sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, General Order No. 11 was written and issued by General John A. Logan designating May 30, 1868 as the first official Decoration Day, known today as Memorial Day. First enacted to honor Union soldiers of the American Civil War, it was expanded after World War I to include American casualties of any war or military action; and

WHEREAS, since the Revolutionary War, more than 42.5 million men and women have served in America's military. More than 600,000 of those dauntless, selfless warriors died in combat. These courageous men and women, each so different in heritage and background, shared the common bonds of the armed forces – duty and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day symbolizes a time that Americans take a clear look at both our past and our future. One day each year, when we acknowledge the debt we owe to these men and women; and

WHEREAS, Solano County is home to Travis Air Force Base whose thousands of men and women risk their lives each and every day to protect the rights and freedoms we all enjoy as a nation; and

WHEREAS, at the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, President Abraham Lincoln spoke these words on November 19, 1863:

"From these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion... that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain."

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano county Board of Supervisors encourage all citizens of this county to commemorate Memorial Day 2020 by practicing social distancing and following the Solano County Health advisory that is in place on Memorial Day, and to honor these brave men and women and their families who have given the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Dated this 12th day of May, 2020

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk