

# City of Petaluma

## Proclamation

### *VETERANS DAY - 2024*

**WHEREAS**, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining our freedom and way of life; and

**WHEREAS**, tens of millions of Americans have served in the Armed Forces of the United States during the past century; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of thousands of Americans have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces during the past century; and

**WHEREAS**, our veterans are brave and selfless individuals who, when duty called, willingly put themselves in harm's way to defend the lives and liberty of others; and

**WHEREAS**, their abiding patriotism and enduring devotion to the ideals on which the United States is founded can never fail to inspire us; and

**WHEREAS**, all Petalumans must strive to ensure that ours remains a land worthy of the great love our veterans have shown for it;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Kevin McDonnell, Mayor of the City of Petaluma, along with the members of the Petaluma City Council, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2024, as "*Veterans Day*," and encourage all people in our City to acknowledge and honor the contributions of our veterans to the principles of democracy, individual freedom, and human rights.

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*Kevin McDonnell, Mayor*

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*Caitlin Corley, City Clerk*