

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United States of America is an enduring symbol of freedom, protected willingly by citizen soldiers who have answered the call to serve; and

WHEREAS, we must never forget the sacrifices of war and the debt owed to those who defended our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, the red poppy flower memorializes the lives laid to rest in Flanders Field during the First World War and in other conflicts since then; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary works to remind all Americans of the sacrifices of those who serve by annually distributing red poppy flowers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie and American Legion Post 180 have worked to commemorate and honor those who served in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, May 31, 2021, is Memorial Day, a time for all Americans to give thanks for the men and women who have died in the armed services of this nation, and to mark the occasion by lowering national, state, city, and organizational flags to half-staff; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie and American Legion Post 180 wish to pay tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of our freedom.

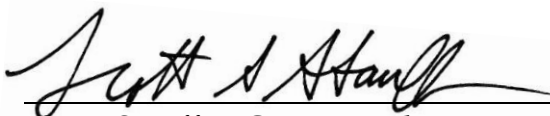
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim **May 31, 2021**, as **Poppy Day** in the City of Milwaukie.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 4th day of May 2021.



Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

