

Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Veterans' Day November 11, 2019

WHEREAS, From 1776 to present, the citizens of Northampton have served and continue to proudly serve in our Nation's armed forces; and

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all civilians to respect and honor those who have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life by making selfless sacrifices on our behalf during peace and war; and

WHEREAS, These brave men and women who have served and protected the U.S. come from all walks of life and we know them as family members, friends, neighbors and coworkers playing an important role in our community; and

WHEREAS, Here at home, Northampton's Department of Veteran Services continues to thrive by combating veteran homelessness which has prevented and rehoused over 500 of those veterans. Our department still serves more veterans and their dependents per capita than any other city or town in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, The City of Northampton is honored to award the Medal of Liberty to the Daley family on behalf of John Joseph Daley who gave the ultimate sacrifice and was killed in action on November 11, 1944, while serving in France; and so

**NOW,
THEREFORE,** I, Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim Veterans' Day, November 11, 2019, to be a day for the citizens of Northampton, Florence, and Leeds to pay tribute and remember the service and sacrifice of our community's veterans and military personnel.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the Seal of the City of Northampton.



A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'D. Narkewicz'.

Mayor David J. Narkewicz