



County of Los Alamos

Council Meeting Staff Report

May 14, 2019

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Presenters: County Council - Work Session
Legislative File: 11880-19

Title

Proclamation declaring Saturday, May 25th, 2019 as "Poppy Day" in Los Alamos County (accepted by Marie Todd, American Legion Auxiliary)

Body

WHEREAS: The American Legion Auxiliary adopted the poppy as its memorial flower at its organization convention in Kansas City in October 1921; and

WHEREAS: The Auxiliary has pledged that proceeds from poppy sales will go to welfare relief for service men and women and their families, thus fulfilling the meaning of the poppy as an emblem of faith kept with all who have given their lives to preserve our freedom; and

WHEREAS: The red memorial poppies worn throughout the nation on Poppy Day are made by veterans in hospitals and workshops in forty states; poppies sold in Los Alamos are made by patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Albuquerque; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Los Alamos are given an opportunity each year to pay tribute to all who have died in the service of our country, as well as an opportunity to help with the fine work of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, by wearing a poppy and thereby contributing to the American Legion Auxiliary's service to the living;

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Council of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos, I do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 25th, 2019 as

"POPPY DAY"

in Los Alamos County, and urge our citizens to wear a poppy with pride on this occasion.