



PROCLAMATION

VETERANS APPRECIATION DAY

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial Beach honors the selfless service of the brave men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, recognizing that their commitment and sacrifice, often at great personal cost, have safeguarded the freedoms and peace enjoyed by all Americans; and

WHEREAS, on November 11th, our nation comes together to observe Veterans Day, expressing deep gratitude and respect for veterans of every branch of service—Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, and Space Force—whose dedication has shaped the safety and prosperity of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of these veterans reflect the best of our nation, with their courage, perseverance, and resilience standing as an enduring example of patriotism and civic duty; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that military service impacts not only veterans but also their families and loved ones, whose unwavering support is essential to our veterans' ability to serve, and whose sacrifices often go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of veterans from all backgrounds, races, ethnicities, and identities have strengthened our armed forces, demonstrating that our nation's greatest strength lies in its diversity and unity; and

WHEREAS, veterans' organizations such as the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Fleet Reserve Association, and many others are vital in advocating for healthcare, housing, mental health services, and employment programs that improve the lives of veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial Beach remains committed to supporting our veterans, ensuring access to resources and services that promote their health, well-being, and successful reintegration into civilian life; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day provides a meaningful opportunity for our community to express collective appreciation, ensuring every veteran feels respected, valued, and recognized for their contributions both in and out of uniform; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paloma Aguirre, Mayor of the City of Imperial Beach, California, together with the City Council, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2024, as Veterans Appreciation Day in the City of Imperial Beach, and invite all residents to join in honoring and celebrating the service of our veterans.

Dated: November 6, 2024

Paloma Aguirre, Mayor