

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing the heritage of the Military Order of the Purple Heart as an expression of gratitude to the sons and daughters of Jackson County, Missouri, who gave their lives or were wounded in combat defending the freedoms all Americans enjoy.

RESOLUTION NO. 19906, June 25, 2018

INTRODUCED BY Crystal Williams, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Garry J. Baker, Tony Miller, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater III, Greg Grounds, and Theresa Galvin, County Legislators

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest U.S. military decoration in use, having been initially created as the badge of Military Merit by General George Washington in 1782; and,

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart was the first American service award or decoration made available to the common soldier and is specifically awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been wounded or who made the ultimate sacrifice in combat; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County has a long and proud history of men and women veterans, who have paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families, friends, and homes and placing themselves in harm's way to help secure liberty for all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives while serving in the Armed Forces; and

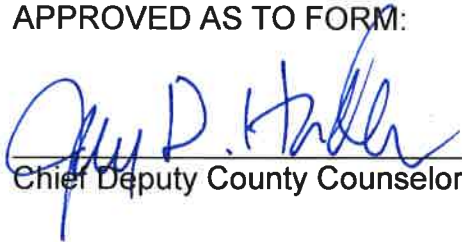
WHEREAS, a great many other men and women, to include those from Jackson County, have sacrificed parts of themselves for this great country as a result of being wounded while engaged in combat with an enemy force; and

WHEREAS, Jackson County seeks to remember and recognize all veterans, especially those from Jackson County, who are the recipients of the Purple Heart, by displaying Purple Heart signs at each courthouse and throughout the County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby proclaims Jackson County, Missouri, to be a Purple Heart County, honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women in uniform, wounded or killed while serving to protect our freedom.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 19906 of June 25, 2018, was duly passed on June 25, 2018 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

6/25/18

Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature