IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing the service and sacrifice of the members of our nation's military who have been wounded or killed while serving to protect the citizens of the United States.

RESOLUTION NO. 19287, October 17, 2016

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

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart Medal is awarded to members of the armed forces of the United States who are wounded by an instrument of war in the hands of the enemy and posthumously to the next of kin in the name of those who are killed in action or die of wounds received in action; and,

WHEREAS, the Military Order of the Purple Heart was formed in 1932 for the protection and mutual interest of Purple Heart recipients; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Jackson County are grateful to all the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the armed forces; and,

WHEREAS, veterans have paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and,

WHEREAS, the contribution and sacrifices of the men and women who serve and have served in the armed forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County seeks to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart Medal, a singularly meritorious act of essential service; now therefore,

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