

**Office of the Mayor**  
**Fairbanks North Star Borough**  
**Alaska**  
**Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, America was founded on the principles of liberty, opportunity and justice for all; and

**WHEREAS**, many fearless citizens willingly joined our armed forces and risked their lives to fight for these principles; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the history of the United States, countless Americans have kept a special place of honor in their hearts for our veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month, the world celebrated the armistice of the "war to end all wars"; and

**WHEREAS**, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 1954 became a day to honor all American veterans of all wars; and

**WHEREAS**, the great state of Alaska, with more than 10%, has the highest number of resident veterans per capita; and

**WHEREAS**, it is privilege and in the best interest of our state and nation that we continually express our sincerest gratitude and appreciation to ALL of our veterans, whose sacrifices should serve as a constant reminder of the high price of liberty.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bryce Ward, Mayor of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, and I, Jim Matherly, Mayor of the City of Fairbanks, and I, Michael Welch, Mayor of the City of North Pole, by the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2020 as

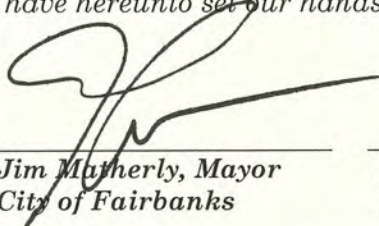
**VETERANS DAY 2020**

and urge all citizens to remember and honor those who, when called upon to do so, bravely served our Nation in the time of war in order to preserve our freedom. We will remember those members who are still listed as missing-in-action, remember their families, and re-dedicate ourselves as we work to preserve world peace as the most profound reward for the efforts of these brave patriots.

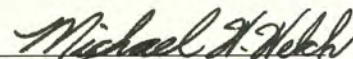
**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hands this 1st day of November 2020.



Bryce Ward, Mayor  
Fairbanks North Star  
Borough

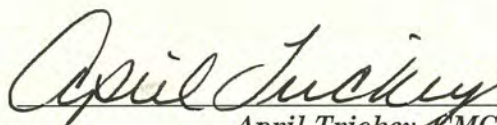


Jim Matherly, Mayor  
City of Fairbanks



Michael Welch, Mayor  
City of North Pole

ATTEST:



April Trickey, CMC  
Borough Clerk