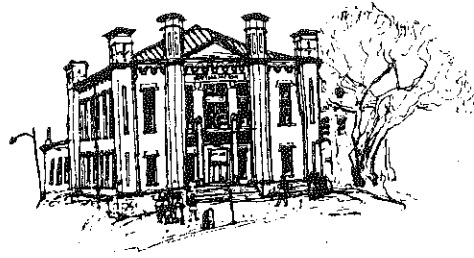


Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Veteran's Day November 11, 2015

WHEREAS, From 1776 to present, the citizens of Northampton have served and continue to proudly serve in our Nation's armed forces; and

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all civilians to respect and honor those who have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life making selfless sacrifices on our behalf during peace and war; and

WHEREAS, these brave men and women who have served and protected the U.S. come from all walks of life and we know them as family members, friends, neighbors and coworkers playing an important role in our community; and

WHEREAS, Northampton has a long record of lending support to all veterans of all eras and is well aware of the debt we owe those who have served to protect and defend our liberties, country and community; and

WHEREAS, Northampton has committed itself to end veterans' homelessness in our city by the end of this year as part of the National Mayors' Challenge; and

WHEREAS, This year marks the 40th Anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War and a native Northampton son will be honored when the Massachusetts Medal of Liberty is awarded to the surviving next of kin to PFC Lawrence Neil Savino; and

*NOW,
THEREFORE,* I, Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim Veteran's Day, November 11, 2015 to be a day for the citizens of Northampton, Florence, and Leeds to pay tribute and remember the service and sacrifice of our community's veterans and military personnel.

**In Witness whereof, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of
the City of Northampton.**

Mayor David J. Narkewicz

