



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Texas salutes and remembers the many American female veterans who have courageously and honorably served in the military on behalf of our nation; and

WHEREAS, women have formally been a part of the United States Armed Forces since the inception of the Army Nurse Corps in 1901, but have proudly served alongside and supported our nation's military since the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, the women veterans' community is the fastest growing subset of American veterans. In Texas, women comprise over 13 percent of the veteran population, a percentage which is higher than the national average and increasing yearly; and

WHEREAS, Women Veterans of America, Chapter 48 and the Denton County Military Veterans Peer Network advocate for cultural transformation to raise awareness about the service and sacrifice of women veterans; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2017, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas signed Senate Bill 805, declaring that June 12 be celebrated as Women Veterans' Day in order that all Texans recognize the role of women in the military forces and to commemorate the sacrifices of and valor displayed by Texas women veterans; and

WHEREAS, on this day, the City of Coppell commemorates the fearless service of women who have served our nation in the Armed Forces, and we honor our female veterans and their families for their remarkable sacrifices and outstanding contributions to our nation.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Karen Hunt, Mayor of the City of Coppell, Texas do hereby proclaim June 12, 2018 as:

WOMEN VETERANS' DAY

in the City of Coppell and encourage all residents to recognize the courage and contributions of generations of American servicewomen and their families, who have proudly served our great state and nation, doing their part to protect our land, people, freedoms, and legacy.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Coppell to be affixed this 22nd day of May 2018.

ATTEST:

Karen Selbo Hunt, Mayor

Christel Pettinos, City Secretary