

**VETERANS DAY, 2005  
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Americans live in freedom because of our veterans' courage, dedication to duty, and love of country. On Veterans Day, we honor these brave men and women who have served in our Armed Forces and defended our great nation;

WHEREAS, our veterans include generations of citizens who have risked their lives. They have defended our founding ideals, protected the innocent, and liberated the oppressed from tyranny and terror;

WHEREAS, our veterans have returned home from their duties to become active and responsible citizens in their communities, further contributing to the growth and development of our country;

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has provided that November 11 of each year be observed as a legal public holiday to honor veterans;

NOW, therefore we, the Mason County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim

Friday, November 11, 2005 as Veterans Day

and ask all citizens to celebrate the contributions and sacrifices of these men and women who placed their lives in harms way protecting American values and preserving democracy for the world.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Jayni L. Kamin, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Lynda Ring Erickson, Commissioner

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Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board

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Tim Sheldon, Commissioner