



PROCLAMATION

Special Recognition of Poppy Day

WHEREAS, the poppy can be traced to a single individual, Miss Moina Michael, who was moved by Col. John McCrae's poem, "In Flanders Fields", and spearheaded a campaign to adopt the poppy as the national symbol of sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the poppy was named the memorial flower of the American Legion Auxiliary at the 1921 National Convention in Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, American Legion poppies are made by veterans in Auxiliary-sponsored "Poppy Shops" maintained and administered by Auxiliary volunteers, which are located in VA Medical Centers and other veterans' facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hudson recognizes the American Legion Auxiliary and Legion family, who have pledged to remind Americans annually of the debt we owe to those who have served and died in the armed forces for our freedom; and

WHEREAS, in support of this tradition, the American Legion Auxiliary and Legion distributed poppies in Hudson on May 15th and May 16th.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor of the City of Hudson, do hereby proclaim May 15th and 16th, 2026, to be:

"POPPY DAYS"

in Hudson and urge all citizens to wear a Memorial Poppy to pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 5th day of May, 2026.

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor
City of Hudson, Ohio