

Proclamation

Veterans of Foreign Wars 100th Anniversary May 28, 2021

WHEREAS, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 69 Corporal James Lindsay Williams Jr. post was founded on May 28, 1921 in honor of Corporal Williams and his service during WWI. Originally post 2310, Post 69 was formed to combine with posts from East Palo Alto and San Mateo; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) of the United States is a nonprofit veterans service organization comprised of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, guard and reserve forces; and

WHEREAS, the VFW's mission is to foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts, to serve our veterans, the military and our communities, and to advocate on behalf of all veterans; and

WHEREAS, since its inception the VFW has been instrumental in the establishment of the Veterans Administration, development of the national cemetery system, expansion of educational benefits to America's active duty service members, enactment of the Veterans Access and Accountability Act of 2014, improvement of VA medical centers services for women veterans, and creation of the Vietnam, Korean War, World War II and Women in Military Service memorials to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Redwood City's VFW Post 69 currently has 258 members and holds meetings on the 4th Saturday of each month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Center; and all VFW members are welcome.

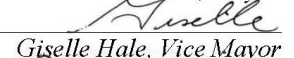
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, DIANE HOWARD, MAYOR OF REDWOOD CITY, on behalf of the City Council and the residents of Redwood City, that the City of Redwood City hereby celebrates the Veterans of Foreign Wars 100th anniversary and honors its invaluable contributions to the veteran community in Redwood City and around the world. We hereby stand with the VFW to ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

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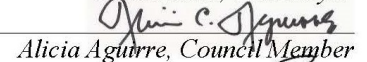




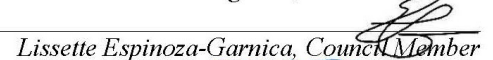
Diane Howard, Mayor



Giselle Hale, Vice Mayor



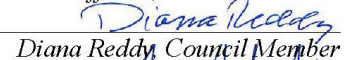
Alicia Aguirre, Council Member



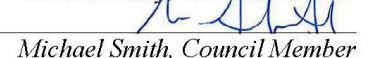
Lissette Espinoza-Garnica, Council Member



Jeff Gee, Council Member



Diana Reddy, Council Member



Michael Smith, Council Member