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Veterans Day

1. The Congressional Charter of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War states that we “cooperate in honoring all those who have served our country patriotically in any war.”

2. Originally called Armistice Day to recognize the sacrifices of those who had served in the First World War, it was changed in 1954 to Veterans Day. On the 8th of October of that year, President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued a proclamation which read in part,

“Whereas, in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this Nation, the Congress, by an act approved June 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 168), changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day:

“Now, Therefore, I, Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon all of our citizens to observe Thursday, November 11, 1954, as Veterans Day. On that day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom, and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain. I also direct the appropriate officials of the Government to arrange for the display of the flag of the United States on all public buildings on Veterans Day.

3. Many of our Brothers are Veterans of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Reserves and National Guard. I’m sure we’ll soon have our first Brother from the Space Force. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War joins America in wholeheartedly thanking you for your service.

4. SUVCW Departments and Camps and Sons of Veterans Reserve units are encouraged to participate in their local communities’ Veterans Day services per state and local regulations regarding the ongoing pandemic. All Brothers are encouraged to display the flag of the United States publicly and properly.

5. Please send photographs and write-ups of your Camp’s activities to the National Signals Officer at signalsofficer@sucwv.org and to the Banner Editor at banner@sucwv.org.

Ordered this Second Day of November, 2020

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian C. Pierson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B' and a stylized 'P'.

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Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonathan C. Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a stylized 'D'.

Jonathan C. Davis
National Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War