



# A PROCLAMATION

BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SMYRNA

## MEMORIAL DAY POPPY WEEKEND

WHEREAS: America is the land of freedom, preserved and protected willingly and freely by citizen soldiers; and

WHEREAS: Millions who have answered the call to arms have died on the field of battle; and

WHEREAS: A nation at peace must be reminded of the price of war and the debt owed to those who have died in war; and

WHEREAS: The red poppy has been designated as a symbol of sacrifice of lives in all wars; and

WHEREAS: The American Legion Auxiliary has pledged to remind America annually of this debt through the distribution of the memorial flower; NOW

THEREFORE: I, A. Max Bacon, Mayor of the City of Smyrna, Georgia do hereby proclaim May 28<sup>th</sup> thru May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as **MEMORIAL DAY POPPY WEEKEND** and ask that all citizens pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by wearing the Memorial Poppy.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Smyrna to be affixed upon this 16th day of May in the year of Our Lord 2016.*

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*Mayor*

*A. Max Bacon*

