



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *we have the freedom to maintain our way of life because of the contributions and sacrifices of military service members; and*

WHEREAS, *the citizens of the City of Mesa, Arizona have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for the men and women who selflessly serve our country in the Armed Forces; and*

WHEREAS, *many men and women have sacrificed their lives in battle while serving our nation and were awarded the Purple Heart Medal posthumously; and*

WHEREAS, *many citizens in our community were wounded in combat and were awarded the Purple Heart Medal in recognition of their bravery and service to our nation; and*

WHEREAS, *we recognize and honor the sacrifice of our nation's men and women who were wounded or killed while protecting the freedoms we enjoy.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN GILES, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of Mesa, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the City of Mesa, Arizona as a **PURPLE HEART CITY**.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Mesa, Arizona to be affixed this 11th day of November, 2017.


John Giles, Mayor

Attest:


Dee Ann Mickelsen, City Clerk

