

# Proclamation

## Purple Heart City

February 28, 2019

*WHEREAS, the Town of Prescott Valley declares its support of the members of the Armed Forces who have been wounded or who have died in the hands of our Nation's enemies by becoming a Purple Heart City; and*

*WHEREAS, the Town of Prescott Valley recognizes that veterans pay the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and*

*WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is specifically a combat decoration and is our nation's oldest military medal. It was first created by General George Washington in 1782 and was known as the Badge of Military Merit. It is the predecessor of the Purple Heart medal; and*

*WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are wounded by an instrument of war in the hands of the enemy and posthumously to the next of kin in the name of those who are killed in action or who die of wounds received in action; and*

*WHEREAS, the heritage the Purple Heart represents is sacred to those who understand the price paid to wear it; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kell Palguta, Mayor of Prescott Valley, Arizona, do hereby proclaim Prescott Valley, Arizona as a*

### **"Purple Heart City"**

*and encourage all citizens to recognize and honor the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women of the Armed Forces who were wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by our communities and nation.*

*IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Prescott Valley to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.*

Attest:

*Diane Russell*  
Diane Russell, Town Clerk

Mayor:

*Kell Palguta*  
Kell Palguta, Mayor



## Town of Prescott Valley