## Proclamation

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining our freedoms and way of life; and

**WHEREAS**, tens of millions of Americans have served in the Armed Forces of the United States during the past century; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of thousands of Americans have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces during the past century; and

**WHEREAS**, Washington State is home to more than 544,000 veterans, 60,000 Active Duty military, 18,000 National Guard and Reserves, and their families; and

WHEREAS, our veterans are brave and selfless individuals who, when duty called, willingly put themselves in harm's way to defend the lives and liberty of others; and

WHEREAS, our veterans understand the important task before the American service men and women now keeping watch; and

**WHEREAS,** all Washingtonians must strive to ensure that ours remains a land worthy of the great love our veterans have shown for it.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, I, Pam Pruitt, the Mayor of the City of Mill Creek, on behalf of the City Council do hereby proclaim November 11, 2019, as Veterans Day and encourage the community to acknowledge and honor the contributions of our veterans to the principles of democracy, individual freedom, and human rights.

Mill Creek
WASHINGTON

Signed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019

Pam Pruitt, Mayor

Attest

Gina Pfister, City Clerk

Michael G. Ciaravino, City Manager