

WHEREAS, on May 11, 1950, Congress approved, by a joint resolution, that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day as a day of prayer for immutable peace; and,

WHEREAS, the President has declared that a period on that day be designated when the people of the United States might unite in prayer and recognize in their own way, the National Moment of Remembrance; and,

WHEREAS, our nation endures and flourishes because of the piety of our service men and women, who, from years and generations have been accountable for our national security for over two centuries; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora is home to the Colorado Freedom Memorial, dedicated to honoring all Colorado veterans killed in action since statehood; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora would like to enhance the observation of Memorial Day as a time to remember and appreciate Aurora's military service members for their devotion to duty, which has sustained our country and kept safe our heritage as a free people in a free society.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Coffman, Mayor of the city of Aurora, Colorado do hereby proclaim May 29, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. local time as:

Memorial Day - Minute of Silence

and encourage the residents of Aurora to pause for a minute of silence to honor, reflect and remember the precious lives lost while in service to the nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Aurora, Colorado to be affixed this 19th day of May 2023.

Mike Coffman, Mayor Aurora, Colorado