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“POPPY DAYS” PROCLAMATION

Expressing support for the designation of May 13-14, 2022 as “Poppy Days” in Clearfield, PA and recognizing the importance of honoring those that have worn our nation’s uniform; and

WHEREAS, poppies are worn and displayed as a symbolic tribute to our fallen and the future of living veterans and service members; and

WHEREAS, at the end of World War I, The American Legion adopted the poppy as a symbol of freedom and the blood sacrificed by troops in wartimes; and

WHEREAS, the use of the poppy symbolically comes from the poem *In Flanders Fields*, which movingly begins, “In Flanders Fields the poppies blow, between the crosses, row on row,” referring to the poppies that sprang up in the churned earth of battlefields across Belgium and France where soldiers died fighting; and

WHEREAS, wearing a poppy will unite citizens from across the country who decide to show their patriotism; and

WHEREAS, May 13-14, 2022, would be appropriate dates to designate as “Poppy Days”

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved, that the Office of Mayor of Clearfield Borough —

- (1) support the designation of May 13-14, 2022 as “National Poppy Day;” and
- (2) encourage all citizens, residents, and visitors in Clearfield, PA to join in observing these days to honor every service member who has died in the name of liberty, freedom and democracy, while also showing their support for living veterans, service members and their families.

Dated this 5th day of May, 2022

Mason Strouse

Mason Strouse, Mayor of Clearfield Borough