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## **Citizens Encouraged to Participate in Bells of Peace Observance Honoring American WWI Soldiers**

**Charleston, S.C.**—In commemoration of the 4.7 million Americans who served, the 375,000 who were wounded and 115,516 who died in World War I, Charleston citizens and institutions are encouraged to toll their bells at 11 a.m. on Sunday, November 11, 2018 as part of a nationwide observance called the “Bells of Peace.”

Sunday will mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the armistice to the fighting, which was declared on the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918. The “Bells of Peace” observance will honor the fallen and wounded heroes of WWI, many among whom were Charlestonians.

Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg said, “The Bells of Peace will serve as a moving national tribute to the heroic men and women who answered the call and served our country proudly during World War I. I encourage all houses of worship in our Holy City to join us in remembering and honoring our American heroes.”

Mayor Tecklenburg will issue the [attached](#) proclamation to mark the occasion.

For more information on the Bells of Peace nationwide tribute, please visit: [Bells of Peace – A World War I Tribute](#).

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