

WHEREAS, the “Wreaths Across America” project supports an annual December tradition of donating, transporting and placing Maine balsam fir remembrance wreaths on the graves of fallen American soldiers; and

WHEREAS, this tradition started 25 years ago with the placement of five thousand wreaths on the graves of fallen soldiers buried at Arlington National Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Wreaths Across America has placed nearly four million wreaths on the graves of fallen soldiers buried at Arlington and at cemeteries in all fifty states; and

WHEREAS, the mission and work of the Wreaths Across America project, to “Remember, Honor, Teach” is recognized annually by resolution of the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2019, Wreaths Across America will honor fallen soldiers with wreath laying ceremonies at Arlington and at over 1,200 cemeteries in all fifty states; and

WHEREAS, local civic groups will be conducting these activities at Fairlawn Cemetery in Stillwater on that date.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William H. Joyce, Mayor of the City of Stillwater, do on behalf of myself and the City Council, commend the efforts of Wreaths Across America volunteers nationwide and declare December 14, 2019 as “Wreaths Across America” day in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the City of Stillwater to be affixed this 2nd day of December, 2019.

WILLIAM H. JOYCE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA KADAVY, CITY CLERK