



# Official Proclamation

## City of Hastings, Michigan



### May 19 through May 21, 2016 Declared Poppy Drive Days in Hastings

- Whereas:** the red poppy has become an international symbol of the sacrifice of lives in war, and the hope that none have died in vain; and
- Whereas:** the Poppy reminds Americans each year that the men and women who have served and those who have died for their country need to be remembered, and
- Whereas:** the American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization, with membership of three-quarter million women directly related to a veteran who served during a time of U.S. declared war or conflict; the American Legion Auxiliary's mission to serve veterans, the military, and their families is carried out through the outreach program services delivered by its members, volunteering in more than 9,000 communities nationwide; and
- Whereas:** for the past ninety six years, Poppy Drive efforts have supported projects and organizations that benefit active duty servicemen, veterans and their families, and
- Whereas:** we recognize the dedicated volunteers of the American Legion Auxiliary or Lawrence J. Bauer Auxiliary for their continued tradition of service to active duty military members, veterans and their families;

**Now, Therefore,** be it resolved that I, Mayor Franklin L. Campbell, on behalf of the City of Hastings and the Hastings City Council, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 19 through Saturday, May 21, 2016 as **American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Days** in Hastings, Michigan.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Hastings, Michigan, to be affixed this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.

  
Franklin L. Campbell, Mayor