

**PROCLAMATION
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
POPPY DAYS 2016**

WHEREAS, our community has a continuing sense of gratitude to those veterans who did so much to preserve the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, the Poppy is assembled by disabled veterans and the proceeds of this worthy fund-raising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary works for the welfare of our veterans in need of help and their families; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary, Nevada, Missouri, has been established to carry on this work in our community; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary has chosen May 28th - 29th for its annual “Poppies” campaign in our community and announces that all funds collected will be used for services for veterans and/or their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian L. Leonard, Mayor of Nevada, Missouri, do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support with donations to the “Poppy Days” for the distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead.

I urge all patriotic citizens to wear a “Poppy” as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms, which we continue to enjoy as American citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of May, 2016.

Johnna Williams, Deputy City Clerk

Brian L. Leonard, Mayor