

PROCLAMATION

***WHEREAS**, America is the land of freedom, preserved and protected willingly and freely by citizen soldiers;*

***WHEREAS**, Millions who have answered the call to arms have died on the field of battle;*

***WHEREAS**, A nation at peace must be reminded of the price of war and the debt owed to those who have died in war;*

***WHEREAS**, The red poppy has been designated as a symbol of sacrifice of lives in all wars; and*

***WHEREAS**, The American Legion Auxiliary has pledged to remind America annually of this debt through the distribution of the memorial flower;*

***THEREFORE**, I, Howard W. Long, Mayor of Boonsboro, of Washington County, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2023 as **POPPY MONTH** and ask that all citizens pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by wearing the Memorial Poppy on this day.*

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the Town of Boonsboro, Maryland, this 8th day of May 2023.*

Howard W. Long
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Mayor Town of Boonsboro

