

County of Brown

State of Texas

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, April 6, 2017 marks the centennial of America's declaration of war against Imperial Germany and America's entry into the First World War, and

**WHEREAS**, men and women from Brown County have served with distinction in the Armed Forces for the Great War and the wars to follow, and they continue to serve in the defense of our freedoms in the Wars against terrorism, and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Brown County proudly recognize the services of these men and women in the Great War and the wars to follow, and

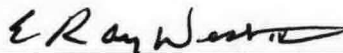
**WHEREAS**, Brown County is home to the Camp Bowie training area for World War II and the Veterans Memorial and the local Veterans and numerous Veterans organizations, and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress has officially created the World War I Centennial Commission to Educate, Commemorate and Honor this event in our history, and the State of Texas, by and through the Texas historical Commission, has created a state commission to do the same, and

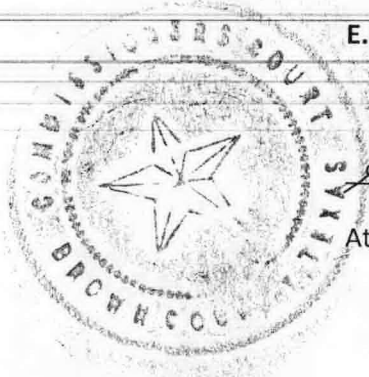
**WHEREAS**, more than four million American families sent their sons and daughters to serve in uniform during the Great War with 116,516 U.S. soldiers giving their lives in combat and another 200,000 being wounded,

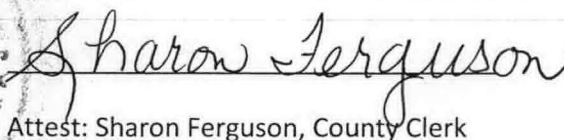
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAY WEST**, by the authority vested in me as the County Judge of Brown County, Texas, together with the Commissioners Court of Brown County, on behalf of the citizens of Brown County, do **HEREBY ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO REMEMBER AND COMMORATE AMERICA'S ENTRY INTO THE GREAT WAR** and the great sacrifices that followed beginning 100 years ago, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 6, 2017 AS WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL REMEMBRANCE DAY**,

**IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND** and caused the seal of the County of Brown for the State of Texas this 3<sup>d</sup> day of April 2017.



E. Ray West, County Judge





Attest: Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk

April 3, 2017  
(Exhibit #27)