TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Veterans Day has its origins in the November 11, 1918 armistice which brought World War I to a conclusion; and

WHEREAS, The Allied victory in World War I affirmed the strength of great nations acting together for high purposes; and

WHEREAS, The people of the United States caused through their elected representatives the designating of November 11 as a federal legal holiday which in 1954 became officially known thereafter as Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day continues to be celebrated and commemorated with solemn observances in honor of all Americans who have served their country in times of war and conflict; and

WHEREAS, The courage, honor, sacrifice, and dedication which veterans of the United States armed forces have displayed in the cause of justice, freedom, and democracy are most worthy of recognition:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim November 11th of 2012, as

Veterans Day

in Kansas and do hereby call upon all citizens to commend American veterans and observe with solemn pride.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 8th day of November, A.D. 2012

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Sam Brownback, Governor