

PROCLAMATION Medal of Honor Day

WHEREAS, the Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States Government and is bestowed by the President, in the name of Congress, upon members of the armed forces who distinguish themselves through conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his or her life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; and

WHEREAS, President Abraham Lincoln signed legislation from congress creating the Metal of Honor in 1861 with the first medal being awarded in 1863; and

WHEREAS, Approximately thirty-five hundred individuals, eighty-six of whom are laid to rest in the great state of Texas, have received this highest honor; and

WHEREAS, Our country has celebrated National Medal of Honor Day on March 25th since the holiday was first created by congress in 1990 and signed into law by President George HW Bush; and

WHEREAS, Texans are deeply patriotic and have a strong history of supporting the men and women of the Armed Forces, and

WHEREAS, The National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation has selected Texas as the official home for the National Medal of Honor Museum, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Hollarn, Mayor of the City of Joshua, do hereby DECLARE a Moment of Honor to be held at 3:25PM on Medal of Honor Day, March 25th as a time for all our citizens to remember those past and honor those living recipients of the Medal of Honor.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 12th day of March, 2020.

Joe Hollarn, Mayor