

## Proclamation

By the Village of Chatham  
75th Anniversary of the Armistice of World War I  
Veteran's Day

WHEREAS, November 11, 1993 commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Armistice of World War I, a day of unique significance in the history of our great nation; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 1918, in accordance with the terms of the cease-fire agreement signed that morning in Compiègne forest, hostilities between the Allies - United States, Great Britain, and France - and an adversarial Germany, officially ceased on the eleventh hour of that day; and

WHEREAS, this international war, which claimed the lives of over eight and a half million soldiers, including 126,000 Americans, called upon the population of the United States to make extraordinary contributions to support the efforts of its men and women; and

WHEREAS, the work of volunteer organizations such as the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in organizing relief efforts for European war refugees, buying war bonds, donating millions of dollars to war-related service organizations, providing time, money and materials for the provision of gifts to American personnel, and sending volunteers overseas to support relief activities, served as an example of patriotic, national service; and

WHEREAS, the end of the conflict vindicated American indignation over the German use of unrestricted submarine warfare against neutral countries and other overt acts of hostility against a nation not yet at war, such as the Zimmermann Telegram and the sinking of the Lusitania; and

WHEREAS, since that historic day seventy-five years ago, the United States has continued to flourish as a free nation, ever mindful of the blessings brought about by liberty and peace, which must be remembered and preserved by future generations;

NOW THEREFORE, I Linda L. Koester, President of the Village of Chatham, Illinois do hereby proclaim November 11, 1993 as the 75th anniversary of the Armistice of World War I, now known as Veteran's Day, and announce my intention to support the observation of this event on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month by a moment of silence in all schools, workplaces and homes followed by the ringing of bells in churches and public buildings as a patriotic and heart-felt remembrance of all those who served and died for their country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Village of Chatham to be affixed this 9th day of November, 1993.

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Linda L. Koester, President  
Village of Chatham

Proclamation requested by the  
Springfield Chapter  
Daughters of the American Revolution

ATTEST:

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Penny Moomey, Village Clerk

Yeas: \_\_\_\_\_

Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

# Mayoral Proclamation

**WHEREAS:** Key Club International, a high school service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International, is observing the week of November 7-13, 1993, as **Key Club Week**; and

**WHEREAS:** The members of the Key Club of Chatham Glenwood are part of an international organization of over 151,000 students dedicated to serve with purpose their school and community, seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than the material values of life; and

**WHEREAS:** They promote the adoption of higher standards in scholastics, sportsmanship, and social contacts and the development of a more concerned citizenship; and

**WHEREAS:** Each member will perform at least fifty hours of service to his or her home, school, and community annually; and

**WHEREAS:** The 1993-94 Theme and Major Emphasis Program, "Preserve the Spirit" focuses on being aware of the present critical issue of isolation and loneliness in all its forms and what this organization can do to enhance the lives of the lonely; and

**WHEREAS:** The service provided by the Key Club will have a positive impact on our community and its citizens.

**THEREFORE:** I, Linda Koester, Mayor of the (city, town, village) of Chatham do hereby proclaim the week of November 7-13, 1993, as **Key Club Week**, and hereby do call upon the officials of the municipality and all citizens thereof, to render all support to the members of this organization and make themselves aware of Key Club whose members this day are preparing themselves to be better, more responsible citizens as they provide meaningful service to our community.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of \_\_\_\_\_

to be affixed, on this, the Ninth day of November Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Three.

Mayor Linda Koester