

ANDERSON, GRIMES COUNTY,
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OFFICE OF MAYOR

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 Anderson have served with distinction in the Armed Forces for the Great War and the wars to follow, and they continue to serve in defense of our freedoms in the Wars against Terrorism; and

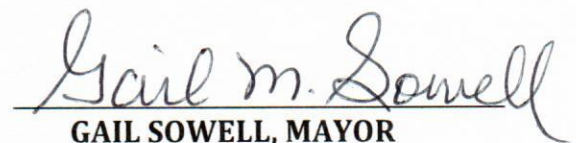
Whereas, ANDERSON is home to military veterans of all Military Services; and

Whereas, the United States Congress has officially created the World War One Centennial Commission to Educate, Commemorate and Honor this event in our history, and the State of Texas has created TEXAS WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION 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 were wounded.

Now, Therefore, I, Gail Sowell, by the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Anderson, Texas, together with the entire Robert Raines Chapter NSDAR and the Grimes County World War I Initiative do hereby encourage all citizens to remember and commemorate America's entry into the Great War and the great sacrifices that awaited its citizens 100 years ago, and do hereby proclaim April 6, 2017 as "**World War I Centennial Day**" in Anderson, Texas.

In Witness Whereof, I Have Hereunto Set My Hand and caused the seal of Anderson, Texas to be affixed thereto this day April 6 2017.


GAIL SOWELL, MAYOR

