

Whereas: In 1950 President Harry S. Truman led efforts to establish Armed Forces Day, a holiday honoring all members of our military. It is held annually on the third Saturday in May following Armed Forces Week; and

Whereas: we recognize members of all U.S. military branches – Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, and the newly created Space Force – for their patriotic service and risking their lives to keep our country safe; and

Whereas: Armed Forces Day is also an opportunity to help people better understand the military's role, including the sacrifices members and their families make as they preserve the freedom that enriches this nation; and

Whereas: through their commitment, America's Armed Forces and Veterans have made this world more secure and demonstrated that freedom should be cherished and appreciated; and

Whereas: we owe a debt of gratitude to all who protect our liberties and defend our country, and we especially honor City of Racine residents and employees – both active-duty military and veterans – for their service.

Now Therefore: I, Cory Mason, the Mayor of Racine, Wisconsin, do hereby call upon all residents to observe

Armed Forces Week May 13th to 17th Armed Forces Day May 18th

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.

Accomplished at the City Hall this 7th day of May 2024.

Mayor	