

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** on Memorial Day, we pay solemn tribute to those brave Americans who laid down their lives to defend our freedom; and

WHEREAS, by honoring these proud men and women across our nation who were lost in this pursuit, we renew our commitment to uphold the ideals they fought and died to preserve; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lake Alfred Veterans Memorial was constructed to honor and remember the great sacrifices made by our Veterans in all wars so that we may be free; and

**WHEREAS**, we have planted this Magnolia Tree and begun a tradition of ceremony on Memorial Day to pay homage to our heroes that sacrificed their lives so that war might end.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, CHARLES LAKE, Mayor of the City of Lake Alfred, do hereby proclaim this Magnolia Tree and our Veterans Memorial to be a symbol for enduring peace on Memorial Day, May 30, 2016,

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunder set my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

Charles Lake, Mayor

Charles O. Lake

City of Lake Alfred, Florida