

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 1868, Memorial Day has been uniquely an American holiday on which we honor the memory of our brave service men and women who have given their lives for our freedom; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the traditions that have preceded us, most of us have memories of loved ones who are honored on this day, and it is right to remember and recognize past service to America by all veterans; and

WHEREAS, veterans have bravely served in all parts of the world, and all citizens of the United States of America have benefited from the sacrifices of veterans in defense of their country; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa County joins with other counties throughout the State of Florida and the United States of America in honoring those who have given their lives for our great country; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day has become a significant part of our American heritage as we recognize the millions of citizens whose military service has had a profound effect on America's history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that May 25, 2009, be observed as

MEMORIAL DAY

in Santa Rosa County, in remembrance and in honor of the Veterans who have given their lives in service of our country.



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY: Don Salter
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