

# CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA PROCLAMATION

**In recognition of Veterans' Week, November 1 – 11, 2024**

**Whereas**, the United States began the tradition of formally recognizing and honoring its Veterans in 1938 in the form of “Armistice Day” in legislation whereby the date November 11, the anniversary of the armistice signing concluding World War I, was “dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated”; and

**Whereas**, in 1954, acknowledging the sacrifices of our Veterans from World War II and the Korean War, Congress amended the Act to redesignate the holiday as “Veterans Day”; and

**Whereas**, President Dwight Eisenhower called for “all Veterans, their organizations, and the entire citizenry to join hands to ensure proper and widespread observance of this day”; and

**Whereas**, Huntsville has sent many of its sons and daughters into military service in defense of our great nation; and

**Whereas**, a great many Veterans have migrated to Huntsville and continued their service in a multitude of capacities serving our community and continuing their significant contributions to our Nation’s defense; and

**Whereas**, the City of Huntsville wishes to express its support, gratitude, and deepest appreciation to all our Veterans who have honorably served in defense of our Nation and the cause of freedom around the world in times of peace and conflict;

**Now, therefore**, let it be proclaimed, that I, Mayor Tommy Battle do hereby designate November 1 - 11, 2024, as **Veterans' Week** in Huntsville, Alabama and call upon all its citizens to observe this time with appropriate programs and events celebrating and thanking our Veterans.

**Dated**, this 31st day of October in the year 2024.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tommy Battle".

Tommy Battle  
Mayor  
Huntsville, Alabama