



Office of the Mayor
Bryan S. Franklin
Purple Heart Day Proclamation
August 6, 2021
Town of Blythewood, South Carolina

WHEREAS, the Town of Blythewood proudly supports its Military Veteran population; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in use today, which evolved from the Badge of Military Merit, created by General George Washington for the common soldier in 1782; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces that have been wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Blythewood has a large and highly decorated Veteran population including Purple Heart Recipients; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Military Order of the Purple Heart is to foster an environment of goodwill among the combat wounded Veterans and their families, promote patriotism, support legislative initiatives and most importantly, make sure we never forget; and

WHEREAS, Blythewood appreciates the sacrifices our Purple Heart recipients have made in defending our freedoms and believe it is important that we acknowledge them for their courage and show them the support they have earned; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Blythewood has been designated a Purple Heart Town, honoring the service and sacrifices of our nation's men and women in uniform who were wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED I, Bryan S. Franklin, Mayor of the Town of Blythewood, on behalf of the Town Council, do hereby proclaim August 7, 2021 as Purple Heart Day in the Town of Blythewood, South Carolina.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of the Town of Blythewood on this day, the sixth day of August, in the year of Our Lord, 2021.

Bryan S. Franklin, Mayor

