

**National Society**  
of the  
**Sons of the American Revolution**

**PROCLAMATION**

**Compatriot Participation in Wreaths Across America 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the organization Wreaths Across America was formed in 2007 as an extension of the Arlington Wreath Project of 1992, where wreaths were laid at the graves of fallen soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Wreaths Across America is to REMEMBER fallen U.S. Veterans from the Revolutionary War through present day conflicts, to HONOR those that serve and their families, and to TEACH the next generation about the value of freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, this mission is carried out by the coordination of wreath laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, Wreaths Across America has chosen "**LIVE UP TO THEIR LEGACY**" as its 2021 theme to help supporters focus their messaging and outreach in their own communities; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the patriotic, historical, and educational purposes of the Sons of the American Revolution is "to perpetuate the memory" of those individuals "who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Sons of the American Revolution will commemorate the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Revolution between April 19, 2025 and November 25, 2033, thereby honoring all of those individuals—including the United States' first veterans—who struggled and sacrificed to turn the Declaration of Independence's ideals into reality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sons of the American Revolution seeks to foster cooperative arrangements with patriotic organizations such as Wreaths Across America in pursuit of our common goals to honor, respect, and support veterans, and to inspire our communities to "a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers;" and

**WHEREAS**, Wreaths Across America has designated Saturday, December 18, 2021, as the date on which volunteers will place wreaths on veterans' graves and conduct related ceremonies and commemorations.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Davis Lee Wright, President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, do hereby encourage all Compatriots to join with Wreaths Across America and other patriotic, community, and veterans' organizations, on Saturday, December 18,

2021, to participate in wreath-laying ceremonies and activities in their communities to LIVE UP TO THEIR LEGACY and the legacy of our great nation.



*Davis Lee Wright*

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Davis Lee Wright  
President General, 2021-2022

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in Louisville, Kentucky, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution this eighth day of December, in the year two thousand twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth.

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