

Proclamation

City of St. Joseph, Missouri

American Legion Day

WHEREAS, the American Legion was chartered by Congress on September 16, 1919 as a wartime veterans organization based on the four pillars of Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism and Children & Youth; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the American Legion has become a preeminent community service organization, which now numbers more than 2.5 million members, working a variety of programs that support the four pillars and benefit our nation's citizens, veterans, service members and families; and

WHEREAS, the members of the American Legion are dedicated to upholding the ideals of freedom and democracy, while working to make a difference in the lives of fellow Americans; and

WHEREAS, the observance of American Legion Day provides an opportunity to recognize Legionnaires in our community for their many contributions.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ken Shearin, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of St. Joseph, do hereby proclaim this day Wednesday, September 16, 2009 as **American Legion Day** in St. Joseph, Missouri.

ISSUED: This 16th day of September, 2009

Ken Shearin

Mayor

