



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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Chicago, IL 60611

## Legislation Text

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### **RESOLUTION FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2015**

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Veterans Day

WHEREAS, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed Armistice Day for November 11, 1919, to mark the anniversary of the end of World War I and honor those who served; and

WHEREAS, in 1945, World War II veteran Raymond Weeks from Birmingham, Alabama led a delegation to Gen. Dwight Eisenhower to expand Armistice Day to celebrate all veterans, not just those who died in World War I; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, Congress declared Veterans Day a national holiday to be observed on November 11<sup>th</sup>; and

WHEREAS, as President Wilson said at the declaration of the first Armistice Day, "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, on behalf of ourselves and staff, do hereby recognize Veterans Day and honor the service of the men and women of the United States Armed Forces; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, and that a copy of same, suitably engrossed, be presented to Electrical Mechanic Jack Vollriede, who served his country in Afghanistan.

Dated: November 5, 2015

Approved: MARIYANA T. SPYROPOULOS, President; BARBARA J. MCGOWAN, Vice President; FRANK AVILA, Chairman, Committee on Finance; MICHAEL A. ALVAREZ; TIMOTHY BRADFORD; CYNTHIA M. SANTOS; DEBRA SHORE; KARI K. STEELE; DAVID J. WALSH; Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Approved as to Form and Legality: Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel