

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Memorial Day is a time to remember the valor and sacrifice of the men and women who have given their lives in service to our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the tradition of Memorial Day began in the aftermath of the Civil War, and was originally known as Decoration Day, a time set aside to decorate the graves of those who died in the war; and

**WHEREAS**, this day has since been expanded to honor all Americans who have died while in military service, serving as a poignant reminder of the cost of freedom and the bravery of those who protect it; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential that we remember and honor these heroes who have fallen, ensuring their bravery and stories are not forgotten amidst the passage of time; and

**WHEREAS**, this solemn holiday offers an opportunity for the community to come together in remembrance and gratitude for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice; and

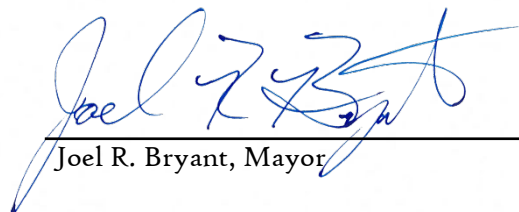
**WHEREAS**, it is fitting that as a community and nation, we set aside this day to reflect on the values of courage, commitment, and the fierce dedication to our country demonstrated by these servicemen and women; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the City Council of the City of Brentwood does hereby recognize the May 27, 2024, as

## MEMORIAL DAY

and urges all Brentwood residents to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities that honor and remember those who have courageously laid down their lives for the peace and security of our country.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024

  
Joel R. Bryant, Mayor

