

State Historical Resources Commission

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01

Resolution of Recognition

World War One Centennial Commemoration

WHEREAS, April 6, 2017, marked the centennial of America's declaration of war against Imperial Germany and America's entry into the First World War; and,

WHEREAS, more than four million American families sent their sons and daughters to serve in uniform during the Great War, with more than 100,000 U.S. soldiers giving their lives in combat and another 200,000 wounded;

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has officially created the World War One Centennial Commission to educate, commemorate, and honor this event in our history, and the California World War One Centennial Task Force was established to coordinate commemorative efforts in the Golden State; and,

WHEREAS, men and women from throughout California served with distinction in the Armed Forces during the First World War, as well as the wars that followed, and continue to serve in defense of our freedoms to the present day; and,

WHEREAS, California is home to dozens of military installations and countless military veterans from all branches of the Armed Services; and,

WHEREAS, California contains a wealth of historical resources associated with World War One, from military sites used during the war to memorials built in cities throughout California in the years after the war to honor those who served; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that official recognition on behalf of the State Historical Resources Commission is given to the California World War One Centennial Task Force for its efforts to coordinate the commemoration in our state in order to honor the sacrifices made by Californians during the First World War; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of the State Historical Resources Commission and a suitable copy presented to the California World War One Centennial Task Force.

May 10, 2017

STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION



Marshall McKay
Chairperson



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Executive Secretary

