

PROCLAMATION 2015-0427
BUDDY POPPY DAYS

WHEREAS, the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has been officially recognized and endorsed by governmental leaders since 1922; and

WHEREAS, VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans, and the proceeds of this worthwhile fundraising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans; and

WHEREAS, the basic purpose of the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to “Honor the Dead by Helping the Living.”

THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Charlotte, Michigan does hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing to its support through the purchase of Buddy Poppies on May 7, 8, and 9, 2015. These Poppies are symbols of appreciation of the sacrifices of our honored dead.

FURTHER, the City Council of the City of Charlotte, Michigan urges all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms which we continue to enjoy as American citizens.

Carrie Burch, Mayor
City of Charlotte