



TOWN OF ERIE

645 Holbrook Street
Erie, CO 80516

Town Council

Board Meeting Date: 5/23/2023

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SUBJECT:

Memorial Day Proclamation

DEPARTMENT: Board of Trustees

PRESENTER(S): Ari Harrison, Trustee

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have given their lives in defense of the United States. The first observed Decoration Day was on May 30, 1868, under a proclamation of the commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, General John A. Logan and included the placing of flowers on the graves of Union and Confederate Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. With the National Holiday Act of 1971, Memorial Day was designated to be held on the last Monday in May and named a Federal holiday.

This year Memorial Day will be observed on May 29, 2023, and the Town of Erie is proud to honor all our fallen service members with this proclamation and encourage all residents to reflect on the sacrifice of the fallen, that of their fellow service men and women and the families who support them.

BOARD PRIORITY(S) ADDRESSED:

- ✓ Engaged and Diverse Community
- ✓ Small Town Feel
- ✓ Safe and Healthy Community

ATTACHMENT(s):

1. Proclamation