

**WHEREAS**, the poppy became a symbol of the sacrifice of lives in war, and represented the hope that none had died in vain; and

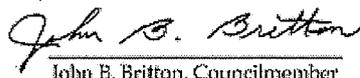
**WHEREAS**, the American Legion Auxiliary Poppy has continued to bloom for the casualties of four wars, reminding America each year that the men and women who have served and died for their country deserve to be remembered; and

**WHEREAS**, since it began in 1921, Poppy Day has become a familiar tradition in almost every American community, with the distribution of the bright red memorial flower to the public being one of the oldest and most widely-recognized programs of the American Legion Auxiliary.

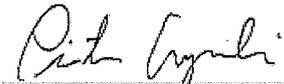
NOW THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE DO HEREBY proclaim May 31, 2010, Memorial Day, as Rockville Poppy Day, and urge participation in this commemoration by all citizens who, by such action, will demonstrate their faith in those men and women who gave their lives in the cause of liberty and justice throughout the years.



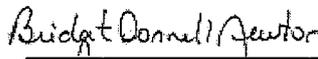
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