## ARMISTICE DAY, NOVEMBER 11

## ORIGINALLY DECLARED

## eleven bells for peace

On November 11, 1918 the guns of the "War to end wars" finally fell silent after more than 29,000,000 soldiers had been killed or wounded. In 1938, Congress made Armistice Day, November 11, a national holiday. "to be dedicated to the cause of world peace."

Congress changed the holiday to "Veterans Day" in 1954 and in 2008, the VFP convention voted to use the original name of "Armistice Day."

VFP Chapter 27 in Minneapolis for many years has asked churches to ring their bells 11 times at 11am, on November 11, as it was done at the end of World War I.

This year VFP is partnering with Move to Amend (MTA) to expand Armistice Day observances. MTA works to end corporate personhood and "money is speech" in elections through constitutional amendment. These goals are key if we are to "abolish war as an instrument of national policy."

To organize a vigil or bell ringing ceremony to reclaim Armistice Day as a day "dedicated to the cause of world peace," contact Larry Johnson, member of Ch. 27 and a supporter of MTA at larryjvfp@gmail.com or 612-747-3904.





Veterans For Peace

www.veteransforpeace.org



proclamation