

Commemoration & Restoration Committee

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The Committee wishes to thank Mayor Marcia Leclerc, the Raymond Library Company, and Library Director Sarah Morgan for their support of the restoration and today's program.

We also would like to thank Francis Miller for his work in restoring the statue for this centenary celebration.

Commemoration of the Centenary of the End of World War I and Rededication of the World War I Memorial



*East Hartford Public Library
October 20, 2018
1:30 PM*

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Welcome & Opening Remarks

*Marcia Leclerc, Mayor
Steven Strange*

Raising of the Flag & Pledge of Allegiance

All present

Please join us in reciting the original version of the Pledge of Allegiance, written by Francis Bellamy in 1892:

*I pledge allegiance to my Flag and the Republic for
which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty
and justice for all.*

The flag being raised today has forty-eight stars, reflecting the number of states in the Union as of 1918.

Remarks

*Rear Admiral James Rendon
Superintendent, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT*

Invocation

Military Chaplain or Other Clergy

Reading of "In Flanders Fields"

Jason Pannone

"In Flanders Fields"

John McCrae, 1872 - 1918

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky,
The larks, still bravely singing, fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead; short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high!
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Reading of Veterans' Names

TBD

Laying of Memorial Wreath

TBD

Final Remarks

TBD