RECLAIM ARMISTICE DAY

with Veterans for Peace Tuesday November 11 at 10:30 AM Santa Fe Plaza

Armistice Day is celebrated around the world on November 11 ever since the end of WWI, when the day was dedicated to the cause of world peace and to the end of all wars. Joyous peace bells rang out on 11/11 at 11 AM in cities everywhere – and still do.

But the U.S. Congress renamed the holiday to Veterans Day in 1954 and shifted the focus away from honoring peace to a celebration of militarism. In much of the U.S., the ringing peace of peace bells has been replaced by gun salutes and fighter plane flyovers.

Veterans For Peace is reclaiming Armistice Day. Veterans know that the best way to honor their sacrifices is to promote peace and decry war. They want future generations to never experience the horrors and destruction of war.

It's now more urgent than ever to **ring the bells for peace**. Our political arena is filled with hate. We are witnessing the militarization of our cities and brutal crackdowns on dissent. Our president is bombing fishing boats in the Caribbean and threatening to invade Venezuela, turning allies into enemies with petty trade wars, and demanding the resumption of nuclear weapons testing. Our Department of Defense has been renamed the Department of War. The U.S. is engaged militarily in multiple countries around the world. The NNSA is building a new factory in Los Alamos to manufacture more nuclear weapon cores.

This Armistice Day, Veterans For Peace calls on *you* to say NO to more wars and to demand justice and peace, at home and abroad. We demand equality for all people and an end to all oppressive and violent policies. We call for the elimination of nuclear weapons. Let's begin to build a culture of peace, not a culture of war.

Please join Veterans For Peace Santa Fe chapter for a peace vigil on the Plaza on Tuesday 11/11 beginning at 10:30 AM

Bell ringing at 11 AM. Santa Fe Raging Grannies sing-along of peace songs.

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