

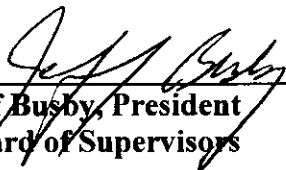
**ORDER: APPROVE ADOPTING PROCLAMATION TO
ESTABLISH LAFAYETTE COUNTY AS A PURPLE
HEART COUNTY.**

Motion was made by Jeff Busby, duly seconded by Robert Blackmon, to approve adopting proclamation to establish Lafayette County as a Purple Heart County.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Mike Pickens, voted yes
Supervisor Jeff Busby, voted yes
Supervisor Robert Blackmon, voted yes
Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes
Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Busby, declared the motion carried, this the 8th day of September, 2015.

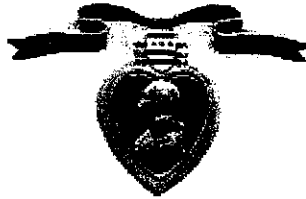


Jeff Busby, President
Board of Supervisors



Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk

Military Order of



The Purple Heart

None gave all...all gave none.

Chapter 801

From: Military Order of The Purple Heart
Chapter 801
P O Box 2505
Oxford, MS 38655

To: Lafayette County Board of Supervisors
President Jeff Busby

Re: To Establish Purple Heart County

The Military Order of The Purple Heart Chapter 801 here in Oxford is requesting the Supervisors Board to make Lafayette County a Purple Heart County here in Mississippi as the proclamation explains. This will show Lafayette County's support of our service men and women and those wearing the first war combat medal issued by General George Washington.

Ben Baker
Commander Chapter 801 MOPH

Chester Starks
Veteran Service Officer/Sr. Vice Cmdr. MOPH

Gail Wilson
Adjutant/Finance Officer MOPH

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the Purple Heart

Never gave all...all gave honor.

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Lafayette County in the State of Mississippi has always supported its military veteran population and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in present use and was initially created as the Badge of Military Merit by General George Washington in 1782; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart was the first American service award or decoration made available to the common soldier and is specifically awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Military Order of the Purple Heart is to foster an environment of goodwill among the combat-wounded veteran members and their families, promote patriotism, support legislative initiatives and most importantly – make sure we never forget; and

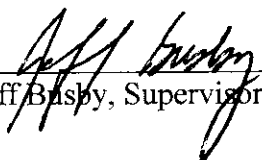
WHEREAS, the Lafayette County area has a large, highly-decorated veteran population including many Purple Heart recipients; and

WHEREAS, Lafayette County appreciates the sacrifices our Purple Heart recipients made in defending our freedoms and believe it is important that we acknowledge them for their courage and show them the honor and support they have earned.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Busby, by the authority vested in me as President of the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim Lafayette County as

**A PURPLE HEART
COUNTY**

and encourage the citizens of Lafayette County to show their appreciation for the sacrifices our Purple Heart recipients have made in defending our freedoms, to acknowledge their courage, and to show them the honor and support they have earned.


Jeff Busby, Supervisor

