



**MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART**  
**CHAPTER 1000**  
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed you will find information about becoming a Purple Heart City. Our Chapter has members located across many Southern Georgia Counties. There are hundreds of Purple Heart designated cities / and counties across our nation and Georgia currently only has one city, Port Wentworth, with the designation. You can see a map of the current cities /counties at <http://www.purpleheart.org/PHTrail>

All that is required to become a Purple Heart City is a proclamation drawn up and we would be happy to send a Purple Heart veteran from your area (as close as we can arrange) to a City Council meeting, private meeting, or other location/ceremony for the signing and/or presentation of the proclamation. While we encourage cities and counties to place a sign somewhere (entrance to city / county, etc.) noting the designation of "Purple Heart City", it is not required.

By becoming a Purple Heart City, you are honoring the sacrifices of those who have served our nation and those who were wounded or killed in action.

We are currently striving to get 100 Georgia cities / counties to become Purple Heart cities / county by Memorial Day 2014. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me, Commander John Flener, at the number above.

We hope to be able to work with your city on this matter. Please find the enclosed sample Proclamation and a sample signage. As long as it is available, we will provide the city with a Purple Heart parking sign, courtesy of Wounded Warrior Family Support, another non-profit organization that serves our nations wounded.

Chartered by Congress in 1958, The Military Order of the Purple Heart is composed of military men and women who received the Purple Heart Medal for wounds suffered in combat. Although our membership is restricted to the combat wounded, we support all veterans and their families with a myriad of nation-wide programs by Chapters and National Service Officers.

I look forward to speaking with you.

Thanks again,

John Flener  
Commander  
M.O.P.H. Chapter 1000



# SAMPLE

## Shasta County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

Shasta County  
~ A Purple Heart County ~

*WHEREAS*, the people of the County of Shasta have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served their country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

*WHEREAS*, veterans have paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

*WHEREAS*, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from Shasta County who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

*WHEREAS*, many men and women in uniform have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces; and

*WHEREAS*, many citizens of our community have earned the Purple Heart Medal as a result of being wounded while engaged in combat with an enemy force, construed as a singularly meritorious act of essential service; and

*WHEREAS*, September 20, 2011 has officially been designated as the day in Shasta County to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart Medal.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the Shasta County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Shasta County as a *Purple Heart County*, the first County in the nation so designated, honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women in uniform wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.



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Les Baugh, Chairman

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September 20, 2011

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Date