



WESTON: A PURPLE HEART CITY

Honoring the service and sacrifice of veterans wounded or killed



The Military Order of the Purple Heart was chartered by an act of Congress, to foster an environment of goodwill among the combat-wounded veteran members and their families.



The Purple Heart is awarded to any member of the United States Armed Services wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the U.S. now including certain kinds of domestic terrorist activities.

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On June 5, 2017, the City Commission presented a proclamation to Mr. Lewis Colon, of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, declaring the City of Weston, Florida, a Purple Heart City.



Created by General George Washington in 1782 as a badge of honor and distinction, the Purple Heart has undergone numerous changes with respect to criteria for being awarded. The current Purple Heart medal was developed by General Douglas MacArthur in 1932, made in the shape of a rich purple heart bordered with gold and a bust of Washington in the center and the Washington coat-of-arms at the top. According to the Military Order of the Purple Heart, the heritage the medal represents is sacred to those who understand the price paid to wear it.

A Purple Heart City honors the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women in the armed services, wounded or killed by the enemy, serving to protect the freedoms our country enjoys. Mr. George Caffrey, Chair of the Veterans Coalition of the Elks Lodge presented the City with a flag, held by audience and Commission member veterans.

