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## **CHINO HILLS RAISES WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL FLAG AT VETERANS PARK**

Chino Hills, CA – The City of Chino Hills has raised the official flag of the of the World War I Centennial Commission to honor and commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States' entry into World War I in April of 1917. Congress passed legislation in 2014 to establish the World War I Centennial Commission to honor the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I by developing Pershing Park in the District of Columbia as a national World War I Memorial. From 2014 through 2018, the United States and nations around the world will mark the Centennial.

"The City of Chino Hills supports this national effort to commemorate the Centennial of World War I," said Mayor Peter Rogers. "The "Great War" literally changed the course of history, and it is an honor for Chino Hills to recognize the service and sacrifice of so many veterans."

According to the Centennial Commission's official website, [www.WorldWarOneCentennial.org](http://www.WorldWarOneCentennial.org), more than four million men and women from the United States served in uniform during World War I in support of Great Britain, France, Belgium, and other allies. This marked the first time in the history of the United States that American soldiers went abroad in defense of liberty against foreign aggression. The United States suffered 375,000 casualties during World War I, including 116,516 deaths.

The Centennial of World War I offers an opportunity for people in the United States to learn about and commemorate the sacrifices of their predecessors. The Commission's mission is to plan programs, projects, and activities that will teach Americans about World War I; to establish the National World War I Memorial in Washington DC, and to coordinate the activities of individuals and institutions as they tell the story of the Great War.

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