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VETERANS DAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023, 11:00 AM

Florence Mayor Andy Betterton and Lauderdale County Commission Chairman Danny Pettus announce the annual Veterans Day program. The Ceremony will be held at the Florence - Lauderdale County Veterans Memorial Park at 301 Veterans Park Drive, north of Wilson Dam. (In the event of rain, the ceremony will be held at the Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum.) The number of attendees is not restricted; however; seating is limited. Standing room is available. Attendees are encouraged to bring chairs.

The purpose of the Veterans Day Ceremony is to honor all American Veterans for their service in defense of our freedom. The theme for this year's Veterans Day program is, "What Is A Veteran."

The Veterans Day Ceremony will include numerous events honoring the Florence-Lauderdale veterans for their service in defending our freedom. It will also include honors to our nation.

Our country owes those who served, and those who are currently serving, a debt of gratitude. Our appreciation should be expressed often, especially on Veterans Day. Numerous ways that veterans may be honored will be discussed at the ceremony. In fact, attending the Veterans Day Ceremony is an excellent way to honor our veterans.

Veterans in attendance will be recognized collectively and thanked for their service. They are encouraged to show their pride in having served in our country's armed forces by wearing their service caps, pins, patches, etc. The specifically designed stick-on lapel crest, "I am a Veteran," will be given to veterans in attendance for ease of identification.

The Veterans Day program may also be viewed by watching it LIVE on the City of Florence Facebook Page or via Big River Broadcasting Radio Stations and Singing River Media Radio.