

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

*Whereas, veterans deserve to be honored and celebrated during life and after death; and*

*Whereas, approximately twelve hundred World War II veterans are laid to rest each day, with the Korean War veterans not far behind; and*

*Whereas, due to a shortage of military buglers, many veterans have an audio recording of Taps played at their funerals. Out of respect for their service to our country, it is felt that veterans' final honors are more worthy of a live rendition of our National Song of Remembrance; and*

*Whereas, the Youth Trumpet & Taps Corps (YTTC) was founded on June 11, 2014, in Oklahoma, to give high school trumpet players the opportunity to use their musical gifts to serve those who have served our country; and*

*Whereas, YTTC projects include volunteering to play Taps at veteran funerals and performing patriotic music at community events; and*

*Whereas, YTTC offers a unique opportunity for young musicians to express their patriotism and gratitude through volunteerism;*

*Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim January 1, 2015 as*

### **"Trumpet and Taps Day"**

*in the state of Oklahoma.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.*

*Ch. Benz*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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