



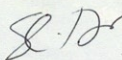
City Of Brandon
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS** *September 10, 2014 is the seventy-fifth anniversary of Canada declaring war on Nazi Germany; and*
- WHEREAS** *The Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum of Brandon, Manitoba is solely dedicated as a place to learn of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan of WWII; and*
- WHEREAS** *Britain's Sir Winston Churchill referred to "The Plan" as Canada's greatest contribution to the Allied victory in WWII. Because of "The Plan", U.S.A. President Roosevelt referred to Canada as "The Aerodrome of Democracy". By 1945 the Royal Canadian Air Force had become the world's 4th largest Air Force; and*
- WHEREAS** *In 2010, the Memorial Project Committee of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum began an ambitious project to create a permanent public tribute to all members of the Royal Canadian Air Force and all Canadians serving in any Commonwealth air force who lost their lives during World War II. The RCAF WWII Memorial, located on the grounds of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum at Brandon, Manitoba, will also pay tribute to Royal Air Force, Royal Australian Air Force, and Royal New Zealand Air Force personnel who lost their lives in or near Canada during this period; and*
- WHEREAS** *The RCAF WWII Memorial will be impressive in both size and scope — a black granite wall approximately 300 feet in length containing the names of more than 19,000 fatalities, with a larger-than-life bronze statue representing the fallen. It will serve as lasting recognition of the ultimate sacrifice for the war effort; and*
- WHEREAS** *On September 10, 2014, the RCAF WWII Memorial, a tribute to the fallen will be unveiled and for evermore remember the young men and women who trained, fought and gave their lives so we could enjoy the freedoms of democracy.*

Now, therefore, I, SHARI DECTER HIRST, Mayor of the City of Brandon, in the Province of Manitoba, DO HEREBY proclaim September 7 - 13, 2014 to be

"Memorial Week"

in the City of Brandon.



Shari Decter Hirst
Mayor