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**CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID RELEASES SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAY VIDEO HONORING
OUR VETERANS, FIRST RESPONDERS AND ESSENTIAL WORKERS DURING THE
2021 COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Video and Poem Released in lieu of annual parade

South Euclid, Ohio – Our Annual South Euclid Memorial Day Parade has unfortunately been cancelled again because of the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. However, the spirit of the parade will live on in a very special video we've produced to honor our Veterans and all those who have worked so hard to get us through these challenging times.

- The Memorial Day Video can be viewed immediately by clicking the following Google Drive Link: <https://vimeo.com/556566207/1aa298dc5f>.
- Beginning at 12 a.m. on May 31st the video will be posted on the City's Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/southeuclid. The video will be "pinned" to the top of the page as the first post. It will also be available on the City's website and Nextdoor.com.

The video includes interviews with members of the city's police and fire departments, veterans, residents, elected officials, videos and photos from past Memorial Day Parades and a new poem written for the occasion by South Euclid's Poet Laureate, Doc Janning.

"Today we pay tribute to those who have served, are serving, and most importantly - those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while in service to our country," said Mayor Georgine Welo. "On this Memorial Day, we call attention to the true meaning of our City's historic War Memorial (*located near the entrance to the Euclid Creek Metroparks*): that today and every day we should honor our fallen heroes, guard their legacies and recognize the sacrifices of all of our Veterans."

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