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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., JAN 4, 1973 -- Senator Bob Dole today introduced legislation to reinstate November 11 as Veterans Day.

Dole said that November 11 is a day of great significance to all Americans. It is the day on which in the year 1918 the armistice ending World War I was signed.

In 1971 Veterans Day was changed to - the fourth Monday in October in lieu of November 11.

Dole said, "November 11 is Veteran's Day and always will be in the hearts and minds of millions of Americans. The change in the legal holiday cannot erase the significance of this date, even though it defeats the reason and purpose of observing Veterans Day. An extra three-day weekend is little justification for slighting this nation's tribute and homage to the men and women who have made free holidays possible at all. So, with these thoughts in mind, I am introducing legislation to reinstate the date of November 11 as Veterans Day, a legal holiday and once again provide a fitting and unique day of recognition for America's veterans."