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US Flag Disposal Available at Pullman PD

PULLMAN – Worn US Flags can now be deposited in a drop-box located in the Pullman Police Department lobby, to be later disposed of by the American Legion.

According to U.S. Code, Title 4, Chapter 1, "the flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way". In honor of Flag Day 2018, the Pullman Police Department is proud to announce a partnership with the Maynard-Price American Legion Post 52, providing the public with a US flag disposal receptacle.

Pullman PD has repurposed a former drug drop-box to facilitate the collection of worn American flags that are no longer suitable for display. Deposited flags will be collected from the drop-box by members of the Maynard-Price American Legion Post 52, and disposed of during the annual June 14 Flag Retirement Ceremony.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation establishing June 14 as Flag Day, an annual observance commemorating the adoption of the United States flag on June 14, 1777. This year's Flag Retirement Ceremony will be held at Military Hill Park (adjacent to the Pullman Aquatics & Fitness Center), 500 NW Larry St., at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 14. Members of the Maynard-Price American Legion Post 52, Jeff Kure from the Boy Scouts and Boy Scout Troops 444 and 460 will conduct the honorary retirement ceremony.

The U.S. flag receptacle is accessible 24/7 in the Pullman PD lobby (260 SE Kamiaken Street).

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