

Proclamation

By Mayor and Council - Township of North Brunswick

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick's **Veteran Street Sign Program** allows Township residents who were wartime veterans to be recognized by adding their name on a secondary street sign to an existing Municipal Road; and

WHEREAS, by adding names of local Wartime Veterans to public street signs, we hope to promote public awareness of these individuals and show our appreciation for their outstanding contributions and service to our country as a member of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, eligible military candidates for this honor include honorably discharged Veterans having served in Military Departments as defined under Department of Defense which include Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Forces, as well as the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS Wartime Veterans are individuals who served in the active military forces, during a period of armed conflict or who received the armed forces expeditionary or other campaign service medal during an emergency condition, including those who died in the line of duty in the active military forces; and

WHEREAS, John, Nicholas, Jr., Frank, Philip and Joseph Maltese have been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, John Maltese was born on February 28, 1916. As a young man he enlisted in the U. S. Navy and was stationed in Bremerton, Washington where he was an underwater welder who repaired and maintained equipment on all military and naval ships; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Maltese, Jr. was born on June 5, 1918, enlisted January 9, 1942 in the USA Air Corps. Nicholas arrived in Panama after his basic training in March of 1942 where he was aide to General Harmon on Special Assignments. He returned to the United States, after 2 ½ years overseas, and was sent to McClellan Air Force Base in California where he prepared for departure to Guam and the invasion of Japan. The war ended in August of 1945 when the atomic bomb was dropped. He was discharged on October 16, 1945. He received the America Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Victory Medal. His rank was Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Frank Maltese was born on December 15, 1920, enlisted January 9, 1942 in the USA Air Corps. His rank was Sergeant 6th Air Force. Frank also was sent to Panama after his basic training in March of 1942. He was stationed on the Pacific Side guarding the entrance to the Panama Canal. He was overseas for 2 ½ years and was sent back to the United States in June of 1944. He like his brother Nicholas was sent to McClellan Air Force Base and prepared for the departure to Guam and the invasion of Japan. He was discharged on October 14, 1945. He received the American Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Distinguished Service Medal and Victory Medal.; and

WHEREAS Philip Maltese was born on January 16, 1923, enlisted July 5, 1943 in Co E-310th Infantry Regiment – 78th Division. He was a carbine sharp shooter and twelve man squad leader. He fought in the Battle of The Bulge, the Arnennes, the Rhinland, Central Europe, Germany and Belgium. Philip returned from overseas duty on February 10, 1946 when Germany was defeated. He was discharged on February 15, 1946. Medals he received include, the American Service Medal, European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and WW II Victory Medal. He entered the service as a Private and reached the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Maltese was born on July 11, 1925, enlisted September 28, 1943 in the USNR. He was an Armed Guard Gunner on supply ships to Europe and Murmansk, Russia. He was discharged on April 5, 1946. The medals he received were the American Theatre Medal, European Theatre – with three stars and Victory Medal. He was a 1st Class Seaman V6:

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM**, distinguished recognition to the Maltese Family especially John, Nicholas, Frank, Philip and Joseph for their service to our country ensuring freedom for all.

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