

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, Air Force, 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 medals during an emergency condition, including those who died in the line of duty in the active military forces; and

WHEREAS, **John Boily Jr.** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, **John Jr.** was born on December 7, 1942. He grew up in Jersey City and attended St. Michael's High School in Union City; and

WHEREAS, **John Jr.** enlisted in the United States Air Force in May 1964. John was interested in mechanics and enlisted in the Air Force on May 5, 1964 where he pursued automotive mechanics. He served at Tan Son Nhut Air Force Base in Saigon, Vietnam in 1966. John repaired vehicles on the flight line where cargo was loaded and unloaded. While in Vietnam, his air force base was attacked by the Vietcong who attempted to destroy the airplanes on the flight line. United States forces were able to fend off their attackers and there were no casualties. John never had to use his rifle in combat. He earned the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal and the Vietnam Campaign Medal. His favorite memory from serving abroad was when Bob Hope came to the USO to perform a show for the servicemen at Christmastime; and

WHEREAS, **John** returned home in 1967 to Ocean City, New Jersey at a radar station. He married his childhood sweetheart, Fran on April 15, 1967 and on May 3, 1968 John was Honorably Discharged from his service. They moved to Jersey City, New Jersey in 1968 where John worked for UPS as a mechanic in the Meadowlands. They traveled to many places and in 1985 they traveled to Costa Rica where they adopted their only child, Nicole. The family moved to North Brunswick in 1989 where they still reside on Princess Drive. John retired from UPS after thirty eight of service with a lifetime safety award. He is also a member of the American Legion; and

WHEREAS, **John** has been married to Fran (Lockwood) for fifty one years and they have one daughter, Nicole. They also have two grandchildren, Ted and John:

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM**, distinguished recognition to **John Boily Jr.** for his service to our country ensuring freedom for all.

Francis M. Womack III
Mayor

Lisa Russo, Township Clerk
June 4, 2018

Bob Davis
Council President

Lou Ann Benson
Director of DPRCS