

# *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**, **George P. Krauss** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

**WHEREAS**, **George** was born October 6, 1922, in Milltown, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, **George** enlisted in the United States Navy on June 8, 1943 serving as a Chief Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class aboard the USS New York BB34 also known as "The Old Lady of the Fleet". He served in the Pacific during World War II and was part of the Okinawa Bombardment in Japan. During this battle, the ship provided constant fire without relief as well as cover and safety to ground troops. George survived a Kamikaze attack on that ship and was honorably discharged from active duty on April 30, 1946. He left the Navy School of Music as a Musician 1<sup>st</sup> Class; and

**WHEREAS**, **George** was awarded the American Theater Award and the Asiatic-Pacific Award with two stars for his service; and

**WHEREAS**, **George** proudly served his country and his community in many ways. He was a highly accomplished musician and educator and spent most of his career in the New Brunswick School system. He truly loved the honor of playing Taps which he did at the War Memorial on Georges Road every Memorial Day. George believed it was a privilege to remember all those who lost their lives in service to our country, as well as those actively serving in the armed forces; and

**WHEREAS**, **George** was married to Christine Krauss for thirty- nine years until his death on October 24, 1987. Together George and Christine have four children; G. Edward (Eddie) Krauss, Barbara Santoro, Kathryn Galtere and Nansi Krauss. They also have five grandchildren.

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

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Mayor

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Council President

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August 29, 2016