

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, **Christopher Scott Ieva** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, **Christopher** was born on October 26, 1973 in Queens, New York and moved to North Brunswick in 1983. He attended Linwood Middle School and graduated from North Brunswick Township High School in 1991; and

WHEREAS, **Christopher** always wanted to be a marine while growing up in a military family. His father served in Vietnam and his grandfather in World War II. He attended The Citadel for one year before receiving an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. He graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Ocean Engineering in 1996 and a Commission as 2nd Lieutenant, United States Marine Corp. His combat deployments include East Africa in 2003, Iraq in 2005 and 2009, and Afghanistan in 2011. When Christopher was deployed to Iraq, he was in command of his company during combat operations as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During Operations Matador and New Market, Christopher was instrumental in limiting the power of the insurgents in the region. He was awarded the Bronze Star with combat V for heroism for that mission in addition to the Navy Achievement Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal, the Joint Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal and the Combat Action Ribbon. Christopher was Honorably Discharged in September 2016; and

WHEREAS, **Christopher** volunteers by serving on St. Paul's School Planning Committee (in Princeton), the Central New Jersey Veterans Initiative and has been a United States Naval Academy Blue and Gold Officer since 2012 where he assists and guides students through the United States Naval Academy admissions process.

WHEREAS, **Christopher** is retired from the United States Marine Corp with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel after twenty years of service. He works and lives in Princeton, New Jersey with his wife, Michelle and their two children, Fiorello and Alexandra.

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

Francis M. Womack III
Mayor

Lisa Russo, Township Clerk
May 21, 2018

Bob Davis
Council President

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Director of DPRCS