

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, **Frank Marrone** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, **Frank** was born in Brooklyn, New York on February 9, 1915 and was raised in New Brunswick, New Jersey before moving to Glenridge Avenue in North Brunswick in 1942; and

WHEREAS, **Frank** was one of eleven men from New Brunswick who volunteered to serve in the Army during World War II and proudly served for five years. He began his basic training in Fort Dix on November 26, 1940. He was then transferred to Fort Hancock for clerical training. Frank was a member of the Frontier Defense Sector for two years and then became the company clerk of the 113th Infantry at Camp Rucker, Alabama. Frank became ill before being sent overseas and remained in the United States. He was honorably discharged on October 26, 1945. His medals include the American Defense Service Medal with Authority and the Good Conduct Medal; and

WHEREAS, **Frank** worked as a bookkeeper for Armour Company and Heidi Candi Company. He also joined the Joyce Kilmer American Legion Post in New Brunswick in 1966. He was active in the moving and merging of the Post from New Brunswick to the current facility in Milltown. He had the honor of being named the first Commander of the new post and held many positions during the years; and

WHEREAS, **Frank** was married to Valentine Benanti in 1942 and together they raised two sons, Frank L. and Richard J., one daughter, Ann Marie and seven grandchildren. He lived in North Brunswick until his passing on January 27, 1983. Frank was a devoted family man and an exemplary role model for all who knew him; and

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

Francis M. Womack III
Mayor

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