

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 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, Robert Alan Paley has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, Robert was born August 12, 1946 in Vineland New Jersey to George and Virginia Paley; and

WHEREAS, Robert enlisted in the United States Air Force in June 1965 and was an active member until December 1968. He started his training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas and was first stationed in Ellsworth Air Force Base, Rapid City, South Dakota in the 821st Strategic Aero Division Headquarters, from the fall of 1965 to the fall of 1966. Ellsworth was a Strategic Air Command Base maintaining B52 Stratofortress Heavy Bombers, which were being painted camouflage for transit to Guam for bombing missions over Vietnam along with the KC135 Stratotankers. He saw a teletype asking for volunteers for Thailand Service which was not generally known. He submitted papers for a transfer to Thailand in Southeast Asia. He was assigned to Korat Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand in October of 1966 and served in the 388th Combat Support Group, Headquarters until October of 1967; and

WHEREAS, Robert's last assignment was Bolling Air Force Base Wing, Headquarters Command, Washington , DC just across the Potomac River from the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, Robert received many medals including the Vietnam Service Metal with two bronze stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for the period stationed at Korat. He was awarded the State of New Jersey Vietnam 25th Anniversary Commemorative and the State of New Jersey Meritorious Service Medal for service – Vietnam War, Southeast Asiatic Theatre Operations; and

WHEREAS, Robert has been a member of the American Legion and Clark Moetz Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 2319, Milltown since 1974; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Barbara have been married for forty-six years and have been residents of North Brunswick Township since 1970. They have three children, William and his wife Debbie Ann, Debbie and her husband Tom, and Bobby and his wife Linda. They also have seven grandchildren.

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

Francis M. Womack III
Mayor

Robert Corbin
Council President

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Lisa Russo, Township Clerk
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