

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, Dominic Fama has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, Dominic was born on March 31, 1921 in Rossiter, Pennsylvania. As a young man he worked as a Miner for Lindsey Coal Company and the Pennsylvania Railroad; and

WHEREAS, Dominic enlisted in the United States Marine Corp in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on October 26, 1943. He began his training at Camp Lejeunde, North Carolina and was stationed in Parris Island, Camp Pendleton, Hilo, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, Dominic served in the Asiatic Pacific Theater from July 1944 to February 1946 in Sasebo, Japan and the islands of Saipan, Peleiu and Tinian. Dominic became a Corporal Fifth Marine Division and participated in action against the enemy at Iwo Jima from February 1945 until the island was taken March 26, 1945. His duties included carrying flamethrowers to the front lines and retrieving the wounded and reconnaissance. He earned the Good Conduct Medal and the Marksman Medal during his time of service. He was Honorably Discharged in April 1946; and

WHEREAS, Dominic lived in North Brunswick after he was discharged and worked for Chicopee, a division of Johnson & Johnson as a machine operator for twenty five years before his retirement in 1976. After retiring, he worked for the Chateau in East Brunswick, McDonald's in South Brunswick and Fama's Nursery. Dominic enjoyed gardening, nature, birds and animals. He was also a fan of baseball and loved country music.

WHEREAS, Dominic was married to Rose Arico in 1954 and together they have two daughters, Mary Ann and Catherine. Dominic sadly passed away on August 11, 2018 at the age of ninety seven and Rose still resides here in North Brunswick.

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

Amanda Guadagnino Council President
Lou Ann Benson
Director of DPRCS