

# 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**, **Charles Wilkey** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

**WHEREAS**, **Charles** was born on November 1, 1945 in South Brooklyn, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, **Charles** enlisted in the United States Navy in January 1963 and served on active duty for four years during the Vietnam Era. He was Honorably Discharged in 1969 as the rank of Petty Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Class and was awarded the National Defense Ribbon, the Navy Good Conduct Ribbon, and the Armed Forces Expedition Ribbon; and

**WHEREAS**, **Charles** received an Associate's Degree in 1966 in Accounting while working at the Grumman Aerospace Corporation who was the main contractor on the Apollo Lunar Module that landed men on the moon. In 1976, Charles graduated from St. John's University with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. He became a Certified Public Accountant in 1982. In December 1983, Charles and his family moved to North Brunswick. He began working for Beck, Weiss & Company in Edison where he worked for eighteen years. In 2002, he was hired as a Senior Manager at Willis, Owens & Baker in Princeton where he retired in 2011. Charles also worked as a Crossing Guard in North Brunswick. He enjoys reading comics and helping Father John at Our Lady of Peace Church. He loves his beagle, Rusty and is extremely proud to have served his country.

**WHEREAS**, **Charles** married JoAnn (Barcia) in April 1969 and they have one son, John Charles:

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

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Francis M. Womack III  
Mayor

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Lisa Russo, Township Clerk  
June 25, 2018

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Bob Davis  
Council President

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Lou Ann Benson  
Director of DPRCS