

# 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**, Irwin "Chase" Schorr has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Irwin "Chase" Schorr was born on November 18, 1927 in South Bronx, New York City. He was the youngest child born to Joseph and Anna Schorr. He was a devoted New York Yankee fan and loved playing both hockey and baseball. He earned the nickname "Chase" by his friends because he was always "chasing" the hockey puck; and

**WHEREAS**, Irwin "Chase" attended vocational high school for carpentry, hoping one day to follow in his father's trade of furniture and building. At the age of seventeen, he was scouted by the Chicago Cubs minor league baseball team. Although he wanted to pursue baseball, his mother refused to give him permission. He enlisted in the United States Navy on May 21, 1945. He concluded recruit training in Sampson, New York. Irwin developed skills in welding and the machine shop and was later assigned to the Navy's Construction Battalion, otherwise known as Seabees (CBs). Seaman First Class "Chase" Schorr served in the Asian Pacific Theater and received the Victory Medal, the American Theater Medal, Unit Commendation Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Medal. He was Honorably Discharged from active service on June 16, 1956 and Honorably Discharged from inactive reserve duty on June 16, 1950; and

**WHEREAS**, Irwin married Frances and together they have two daughters, Paula and Laurie. The family moved to North Brunswick in 1964 from Manhattan, New York. Irwin "Chase" worked at Perth Contractors in Metuchen and retired in 1990. He resumed cabinet and furniture building in his own woodworking business better known as "Mr. Chase". Irwin passed away on February 15, 2011.

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

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