

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

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** grew up in Milltown and is a Spotswood High School graduate. From 1999 – 2000, he attended Middlesex County College. In 1999 he joined the Milltown Fire Department. He graduated from Fire Fighter Academy and Fire Fighter Academy 2. In 2000 Jeffrey transferred to Rutgers University; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** in 2001 responded to Ground Zero as a Fire Fighter and assisted with search and rescue efforts and setting up Blood Banks for the injured. Jeffrey wanted to do more. He was raised by a WW2 Air Force Veteran that received the Distinguished Flying Cross for surviving thirty missions over Germany preparing for the D- Day invasion. which inspired Jeffrey to join the Air Force Reserves; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** graduated from Air Force Basic Training in Lackland Air Force Base in Texas and in 2002 Graduated from the Air Force Security Forced Academy. (their military police academy) Jeffrey returned home to continue his studies at Rutgers University. He graduated in 2003 from the New Jersey Union County Police Academy alternate route program. In 2004 he was hired by the Rutgers Police Department. In 2005 he moved to North Brunswick Township and in 2006 deployed to MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa Florida. He attended heavy weapons machine gun training, in which he became anti - terrorism level two training and attended foreign country awareness school. In 2006 Jeffrey was promoted to Staff Sergeant and volunteered to go to IRAQ in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he attended Pre - Deployment training in Camp Swift in Bastrop TX. In 2007 Jeffrey was deployed to Iraq; and

**WHEREAS** **Jeffrey** has received the following awards: Iraq Campaign Medal, War on Terrorism Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** graduated in 2010 from Rutgers University with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a minor in Psychology and Criminology; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** in 2011 married Nakia Buonocore and have four beautiful children. Dasia, 22, Sophia, 12, Preston 9, and Josphine1; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** was hired by the North Brunswick Police Department in 2012. He attended Seton Hall University from 2013 – 2015 and earned a Masters Degree in Human Resources and Training Management; and

**WHEREAS**, **Jeffrey** in 2015 attended the Air Force Aerial Port Academy in Georgia and honorable ended his service with the military in 2021.

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

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Francis M. Womack III, Mayor

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Mary Hutchinson, Council President

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