



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A Resolution Recognizing the 100th Birthday of Mr. Jerry Neal.

WHEREAS, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual but mostly for the community which benefits from the knowledge, dedicated service and experiences that an individual brings to all; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Metropolitan Council, representing the citizens of Nashville, recognize and greatly appreciate the many significant contributions of Mr. Jerry Neal, born April 7, 1921 and long-time resident of Nashville, who recently celebrated his 100th year since his birth; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal has led an extraordinary life living through the Great Depression, five major wars, 25 Presidential elections and served over 77 years in the Reserves, Inactive Reserves, and Retired Reserves; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal maintains an unyielding spiritual devotion, a revelation that began after crashing his B-24 Bomber in the English Channel, and attributes his many rewards, opportunities and successes in life to his faith; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal served his country with gallant bravery during his enlistment as a World War II B-17 and B-24 bomber pilot earning a Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, each representing acts of heroism with over 35 missions flown, including participation in the Battle of Normandy, and experienced first-hand the tragedy of war, personal sacrifice and loss of human life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal has dedicated his life to unselfish service to community and fellow man and, in so doing, is highly acclaimed for his virtues, principles, morals and humility and is a friend to all through his welcoming smile, humor, soft voice and strong handshake; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Neal has been a devoted, loving and caring husband to wife and life partner, Cam, who describes her husband as a man grounded in humility, generosity, and passion; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting and proper that Mr. Neal be recognized, honored and celebrated for his life of sacrifice, service and genuine caring for family, friends and neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as honoring and recognizing Mr. Jerry Neal for his long life of dedication and contribution to our country, city and West Meade Park and wish him many more years of health, prosperity and happiness.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Council Office is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution to be presented to Mr. Jerry Neal.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan

Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.