

RESOLUTION NO. 24-908

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, recognize the honorable Staff Sergeant John Brashears, a retired U.S. Army veteran, for his commendable service during WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brashears enlisted in the U.S. Army in October of 1943 at the young age of 17 years old in Fort Meade, Maryland, and went to basic training in Camp Lee, Virginia. His specialty while serving in the military was automotive mechanic. From 1943 to 1945 he served under the 301st Quarter Master Bakery Co. as an Auto Service Station Attendant; and

WHEREAS, throughout Mr. Brashears military career he was stationed in Fort Meade, Maryland, Camp Lee, Virginia, Fort McPhearson, Georgia, and Clay Kaserne near Frankfurt, Germany. His time serving in the military and being stationed in different places in the United States and overseas taught him a lot and opened him up to many different experiences, such as the meeting of his wife Ruth in Germany and the birth of his beloved 3 children and 2 bonus children; and

WHEREAS, with all the great experiences he had during his time serving, there were also tough times and terrible tragedies that took place during these wars. These experiences taught him discipline and gave him a new outlook on life that he would not have had if it wasn't for his time in the military; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brashears has received many prestigious awards for his honorable service, such as, the Korean Service Medal with 3 bronze stars, European American Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, WWII Victory Medal, and the Army Achievement Medals; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brashears retired from the military in 1971 and moved to Erlensee, Germany, and began working for the NAF as an Auto Craft Manager on Fliegerhorst-Kaserne until he eventually retired in July of 2001. After retirement, he and his wife moved back to the United States and settled in Dover, Delaware, where he got a job working for AAFES at a craft shop until 2012. They lived in Dover for 21 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brashears now lives in the City of Huntsville and recently celebrated his 100th birthday on October 24th surrounded by friends and family.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby recognize and thank Staff Sergeant John Brashears for his many years of honorable service to our country. Mr. Brashears' dedication to the United States, along with all veterans who serve, is something we will always remember and feel grateful for.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-908 (Cont'd)

ADOPTED this the 21st day of November, 2024.

President of the City Council of
the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 21st day of November, 2024.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville,
Alabama