



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MR. EDWARD P. EVANS FOR BEING CHOSEN TO REPRESENT FELLOW PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS AS ALABAMA'S HONOREE FOR THE 2021 PURPLE HEART PATRIOT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is one of the most recognized and respected medals awarded to members of the United States armed forces wounded or killed while serving, on or after April 5, 1917, and is the oldest military award still given to U.S. military members; and

WHEREAS, in a desire to recognize outstanding achievements by citizens of Baldwin County, Alabama, the Baldwin County Commission notes with commendation the earned distinction of Mr. Edward P. Evans, a Purple Heart Hero, for being selected to represent fellow Purple Heart Recipients as Alabama's Honoree for the 2021 Purple Heart Patriot Project; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans was born in the Pensacola area to Edward and Pauline Evans, moved to Seminole, Alabama at a very young age, attended school at Elsanor, Alabama, and graduated from Robertsdale High School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans joined the Army in September of 1948 and was sent immediately to Ft. Lewis, Washington, for an assignment to the ski troops and at the start of the Korean War, he was assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division, B Battery 15th Field Artillery Battalion as a Sgt. E-6 where he served from July to September 1950; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 1950, Mr. Evans was involved in "Operation Manchu," a large raiding party of Company G 9th Infantry Plus crossing the Nakdong River where the unit suffered attacks by four North Korean Divisions and after enduring four days of inexhaustible attacks, Mr. Evan's unit ran out of food and water; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans was awarded the Bronze Star for his bravery when calling for an airdrop of food and ammunition while under threat of enemy fire and he spent two and a half days traveling at night and hiding during the day to later find out that he was 8.5 miles behind enemy lines; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 1950, Mr. Evans was severely injured and hospitalized, but was fortunate enough to be one of the only 27 survivors out of approximately 300+ troops; and

WHEREAS, when Mr. Evans returned to the United States he married the love of his life, Mildred Krob, and they remained married for 66 years and had three children together, Karla Dausat, Marcia Evans and Larry Evans; and

WHEREAS, during his military career, Mr. Evans was stationed in several locations including Fort Rucker, Alabama; Germany; Andalusia, Alabama; Korea; Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; Anchorage, Alaska; and Homestead, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans retired from the United States Army on October 1, 1968 with 20 years of honorable service and now resides in Silverhill, Alabama; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that we recognize the many achievements and contributions of Mr. Evans during his military service and commend him for representing his fellow Purple Heart recipients as Alabama's Honoree for the 2021 Purple Heart Patriot Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the official minutes of this honorable county governing body and embodied as Resolution #2021-034 of the Baldwin County Commission and be conveyed to Mr. Edward P. Evans in sincere gratitude for his distinguished years of military service.



IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the County of Baldwin to be affixed at the County Seat in Bay Minette, Alabama, on this 15th day of December, 2020.


Commissioner Joe Davis, III
Chairman


Commissioner James E. Ball
Vice Chairman


Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood


Commissioner Charles F. Gruber