

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, **Gerald Peter Kemash** has been selected to be recognized in the Veteran Street Sign Program; and

WHEREAS, **Gerald** was born on September 5, 1940 in Keasbey, New Jersey. He moved to Fords, New Jersey in 1942 until the age of 61. In 2003, he moved to North Brunswick Township; and

WHEREAS, **Gerald** served in the United States Army from October 1963 to August 1965. He began his service in October 1963 in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, in Basic Training. After basic training, he started Military Police Training in January 1964 in Fort Gordon, Georgia. Gerald was stationed in Fort Chafee, Arkansas, with the 66th Military Police Corp from March 1964 through May 1964. In May 1964 he served in Cho Lon, Vietnam until March 1965. In April 1965 through August 1965, he served in Saigon, Vietnam with the 716th Military Police Battalion; and

WHEREAS, **Gerald** received numerous medals for his service including The Sharpshooter Medal with a Rifle and The Marksman Medal with a Pistol. He also received a Commendation Letter and the AFEM(Vietnam) 2 O/S Bars which stands for the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Vietnam) with two overseas bars for his service in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, **Gerald** was honorably discharged in August 1965. Gerald had two brothers who served and protected our country as well, Peter Julius served in the Army and Andrew Edward served in the Air Force; and

WHEREAS, **Gerald** resides in North Brunswick with his wife, Diane Sinisi-Kemash.

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

Francis M. Womack III
Mayor

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Director of DPRCS

Lisa Russo, Township Clerk
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