RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05



RESOLUTION HONORING COLONEL JACK USERY FOR EXHIBITING RESPECTFUL REVERENCE AND HONORING WEAKLEY COUNTY IN HIS ACTS

WHEREAS, United States military soldiers and veterans have sacrificed beyond belief to secure our way of life, our liberties, our rights, and those of others, both at home and around the world, and we offer our sincerest appreciation and gratitude to all who currently serve and those who have served our great nation; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Jack L. Usrey is one such soldier, beginning his military training in the Tennessee Army National Guard in 1988 as an enlisted soldier in Union City, then graduating as a distinguished military graduate from the University of Tennessee at Martin ROTC program, serving on active duty as an armor and adjutant general officer for 25 years; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usrey's assignments included Tank Platoon Leader, Executive Officer to the Assistant Secretary of the Army in both Manpower and Reserve Affairs; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usery has served his country in the 82nd Airborne Division, United States Army Recruiting Command, 1st Armored Division, Special Operations Command Pacific, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, 1st Cavalry Division, III Corps, and the Combined Arms Support Command; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usrey has served his country in operational and combat deployments including Operation Restore/Uphold Democracy, Joint Task Force-Bravo, Operation Joint Guardian, Operation Iraqi Freedom I, Operation Iraqi Freedom 07-09, Operation Enduring Freedom XII, and Operation Enduring Freedom XIV; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usrey gained national attention for being witnessed honoring a stranger and his loved ones by standing at attention in army fatigues and saluting a funeral procession in inclement weather; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usrey's acts exemplify the spirit of honor and valor, and moreover inspires his countrymen with pride and nationalism; and,

WHEREAS, Colonel Usrey is a native of Martin and honors Weakley County with his act of patriotism and respect, as well as honoring his home town, county, and country with his more than 29 years of military service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the county legislative body of Weakley County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 27th day of July 2017, in Dresden, Tennessee, that Colonel Jack L. Usrey be recognized for his patriotic and honorable spirit and commended for the excellent example of character he has demonstrated for all Weakley Countians, Tennesseans, and Americans.

SECTION 1. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Weakley County Clerk will mail Colonel Jack L. Usrey a copy of this resolution to express Weakley County's sincere gratitude.

Pursuant To the Rules of the Commission, This Resolution is Sponsored By The Following Members of the Weakley County Board of County Commissioners:

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| Motion made by Commissioner Hawks that | t the foregoing resolution be adopted: |
| Motion seconded by <u>Commissioner</u> | <u> VanCleave</u> |
| Upon being put to a voice vote, M | Notion <u>carried</u> by a vote of |
| <u>16</u> Yeas, <u>0</u> Nays, | 0 Passed, and 2 Absent. |
| ATTESTED: | APPROVED: |
| Him Hughey, County Clerk | Jake Bynum, Chairperson, Weakley County Mayor |

This is the 27th day of July, 2017