



Proclamation



WHEREAS, the 82nd Airborne Division San Diego Chapter Color Guard has provided invaluable service for their Country and their Community for the last 25 years; and

WHEREAS, the 82nd Airborne Division Color Guard is a valuable asset that provides service throughout our region it has been based here in National city; and

WHEREAS, the pride and patriotism that this unit tolls upon the crowd at every event that they are a part of is indeed an inspiration. Their willingness and sacrifice at the drop of a hat is a true demonstration of dedication and love of Country; and

WHEREAS, they have provided support on a volunteer basis to any veteran, including homeless veterans at the time of their burial; and

WHEREAS, they believe that every veteran has earned the right to receive full Military Honors at the time of their interment. They feel that honoring our dead veterans is all of our obligation in appreciation of the sacrifice they have made to keep us safe; and

WHEREAS, they support an average of 150 events per year without the aid of sponsors, relying on donations to help them to continue to provide services to the veterans and the community that they live in; and

WHEREAS, the 82nd Airborne Division Color Guard Nick Aguilar, Al Calderon, Al Gonzales, Gilberto Montaño, Lalo Rodriguez and Ruben Salgado have become the unofficial Color Guard of National City, they support Monthly Military Memorials at the Balboa Park Veterans Museum, the Veterans Administration Hospital and at the Chula Vista Veterans Home; and

WHEREAS, they provide the color guard for such events as; Veterans and Military Memorials and the exhibit of the Vietnam Wall, Presidential nomination campaigns for President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama, State of the City Address by the Mayors of San Diego and National City, Super Bowl, Padres Games, Little League openings, Memorial Day at La Vista Memorial Park and IB Veterans Park, Support of our Wounded Warriors just to name a few.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Ron Morrison, Mayor of National City, California by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of National City, affix the official seal and do hereby on behalf of the City Council, proclaim February 7, 2023 as:

82nd Airborne Division San Diego Chapter Honor Guard Day



As the Mayor of the City of National City, I call upon all citizens of National City to take a moment to commend and honor this fine group of volunteer veterans that after 25 years of outstanding service to Country and Community have arrived at Stand Down. On behalf of a grateful Community, we say Thank You for your unselfish and unwavering service!

Ron Morrison

Proud to be Mayor of National City