

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, NJ

No. **MC 16-0628-42**

Date of Adoption **JUNE 28, 2016**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY ON THE BASIS OF FACTS SET FORTH BY

Legislative Research Officer

PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

HUDLEY

SECONDED BY

COX

RESOLUTION COMMENDING SFC HARVEY CRAIG

WHEREAS, Harvey Craig is a product of Newark Public Schools and an alumnus of West Side High School; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from high school, he entered the United States Army, served over 20 years and retired in 2005; and

WHEREAS, SFC Craig has served all over the continental United States and overseas, including tours in Korea, Germany, Hawaii and multiple deployments to the Balkans in support of Operation Enduring Freedom after 9/11; and

WHEREAS, he has earned a multitude of Army decorations and graduated from the Total Army Instructor Course which opened the doors for him to become a high school teacher; and

WHEREAS, SFC Craig used his experience as an instructor in the Army to transition into his second career, entering into the halls of Irvington High School as a JROTC instructor in 2005; and

WHEREAS, since his arrival to the Irvington JROTC, the program has maintained the Honor Unit with Distinction Award consistently for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, the Irvington JROTC is one of the flagship organizations with the district. Cadets within the program entering into the U.S. military, college and the workforce gaining meaningful employment; and

WHEREAS, led by SFC Craig, the cadets learn about leadership, military history, financial literacy and host of other disciplines of study that assist them with becoming future leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, he consistently seeks ways to improve his craft by completing over 50 professional hours annually, attending workshops pertaining to Financial Literacy, JROTC courses, and district mandated training such as Danielson's Framework for Teaching and Kagan Strategies to name a few; and

WHEREAS, SFC Craig's love of teaching, grooming and mentoring these cadets have paid off in the form of JROTC cadets becoming valedictorians, salutatorians, presidents of prestigious clubs such as the National Honor Society, student liaisons for the Board of Education and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the program has been lauded and called upon for various community service projects and this led to SFC Craig being awarded the NJ Heart of a Heroes Award in 2012 by NJ First Lady Mary Pat Christie; and

WHEREAS, he also received the Township's Proclamation for his work with a unit in Afghanistan and students of University Elementary School communicating via letters and exchanging kites to be flown in both countries, with kite flying was a favorite past time in Afghanistan that was nearly removed by the Taliban; and

WHEREAS, this instructor is not about personal accolades, he feels the true awards and evaluations are from the cadets and he bleeds Irvington Blue and is a true Blue Knight:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the Township of Irvington Commends SFC Harvey Craig for his service to this country and to this community and for his years of distinguished services as a JROTC instructor at Irvington High School; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this governing body as a lasting tribute to the contributions made by SFC Harvey Craig.

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

X = Indicates Vote

N.V. = No Vote

A.B. = Absent

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	N.V.	A.B.
BURGESS, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT	X				JONES, 2ND VICEPRESIDENT	X			
COX	X				LYONS	X			
HUDLEY	X				FREDERIC, PRESIDENT	X			
INMAN	X								

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL CLERK

DATE **JUNE 28, 2016**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Municipal Council. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the Corporate Seal of the Township of Irvington.

MUNICIPAL CLERK

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ADMINISTRATOR ☐ ASSESSOR ☐ BLDG ☐ CFO ☐ COLLECTOR ☐ COURT ☐ ENGINEER ☐ FIRE~CF ☐ HEALTH ☐ HOUSING ☐ INIC ☐ JUDGE ☐ LEGAL ☐ LIBR ☐ LICEN ☐ MAYOR ☐ OCDP ☐ PARKS ☐ PAYROLL ☐ PUBLIC SAFETY~DIR ☐ PUBLIC WORKS ☐ PURCHASING ☐ SEC~PB/ZBA ☐ TRAFFIC ☐ ZONING~OFF ☐ DLGS ☐ GNCD ☐ OTHER(S):