

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-30

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, RECOMMEND AND REQUESTS THAT CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATE BILLY WAUGH'S HOMETOWN POST OFFICE AT 1106 MAIN STREET, BASTROP, TEXAS AS THE "SERGEANT MAJOR BILLY D. WAUGH POST OFFICE"; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, William D. "Billy" Waugh is a distinguished native son of Bastrop, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh was born in Bastrop on December 1, 1929, and graduated from Bastrop High School in 1948; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh served his Country honorably and heroically in the United States Army as a paratrooper and Special Forces (Green Beret) soldier from 1948 to 1972; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh served with honor and distinction for over seven years in combat during wars in both Korea and Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh was honored for his combat service with eight awards of the Purple Heart for his combat wounds, two awards of the Combat Infantryman Badge, a Silver Star, four Bronze Stars, an Army Commendation Medal for valor, 14 Air Medals, two United States Presidential Unit Citations, a Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, a Vietnam Presidential Unit Citation, 10 wartime campaign stars, plus five gold stars and an arrowhead device for combat parachute assaults; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh is a United States Army and Special Operations legend whose eight Purple Hearts rank him third on the list of the most Purple Hearts ever received in military history; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh was part of the first high-altitude, low-opening (HALO) combat parachute assault in military history; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh retired from the United States Army in 1972 as a decorated veteran of 24 years with the rank of Sergeant Major; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh served the United States Postal Service faithfully from 1972 to 1977 after his distinguished military service; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh again served the United States with bravery and distinction across four decades, from 1977 to 2001, as a paramilitary operations officer in the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA); and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh participated in paramilitary operations across Africa, Asia, and the Pacific during the Cold War with Russia, the Global War on Terrorism against al-Qaeda and Taliban forces, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh successfully pursued the terrorist Ilich Ramirez Sanchez (better known as "Carlos the Jackal"), leading to his capture; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh successfully tracked the terrorist Osama bin Laden; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh is the co-author of two books on counterterrorism and irregular warfare, and is himself featured in a non-fiction book about CIA paramilitary operations; and

WHEREAS, Billy Waugh's distinguished and illustrious fifty-year service to the United States of America richly deserves to be honored and remembered by the citizens of Bastrop.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

Section 1: Recommends and requests that the Congress of the United States honor Billy Waugh's faithful and selfless service by designating his hometown post office facility at 1106 Main Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602 as the "Sergeant Major Billy D. Waugh Post Office."

Section 2: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and it is so resolved.


DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop this 14th day of February 2023.

APPROVED:



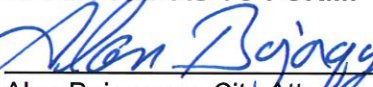
Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ann Franklin, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney