

WHEREAS, a Veteran of military service is someone who has served in one of the branches of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, throughout the history of this great country, Veterans by their service have helped maintain the precious freedoms we all enjoy; and

WHEREAS, honorable military service is one of the highest contributions anyone can make to our country; and

WHEREAS, the Chattahoochee Valley is fortunate to have a large Veteran population; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Chattahoochee Valley greatly appreciate the service our Veterans rendered; and

WHEREAS, City Councilor Jerry "Pops" Barnes conceived the idea to have an annual Veterans Day Parade to be held on the second Saturday in November to honor the women and men who wear or who have worn honorably the uniform of one of our Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the first annual Veterans Day Parade was held on November 14, 2009; and

WHEREAS, all the Veterans of the Chattahoochee Valley are worthy to be recognized for their service; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is to honor the citizens of Columbus, Phenix City, and Ft. Benning communities, for their sustained support of the annual Veteran's Day Parade, the many military organizations for their support, as well as the JROTC units, marching school bands and support personnel for making the annual Veterans Day Parade an annual success.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

We hereby express our deep appreciation to the following:

American Legion Posts 267,135,333, 35, their auxiliaries and the auxiliaries of all the military organizations, Blind Veterans Association, Chattahoochee Valley Veterans Organization, Chattahoochee Valley Veterans Council, Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club, Charles M. Greavu AMVETS Post 9, Columbus Antique Militia Organization, Disabled American Veterans Muscogee Chapter #7, Disabled American Veterans Chapter #56, From One Veteran to Another Inc., Global Association of Buffalo Soldiers, Vietnam Veterans 101st Airborne Division, Wounded Warrior Project, American Legion Riders, World War 2 Veterans, Manchester Veterans Committee, American Legion 3rd District, Coweta Falls Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, Marine Corps League Detachment 1402, Military Jeepers Inc. of Ft. Benning, 82nd Airborne Association, Jonnie Melillo Clasen and Rosie the Riveter Association, National Infantry Museum, Southeastern Vet to Vet Peer Support, 75th Ranger Regiment, Tri-City Veterans, Triple Nickel Military Association 555, Veterans Of Foreign Wars Post 5180, Colonel Robert Nett Veterans Of Foreign War Post 12110, Veterans Of Foreign War Post 5228, Vietnam Veterans Of America, and World Wide Army Rangers;

MARCHING JROTC CADETS AND SCHOOL MARCHING BANDS

Lieutenant Colonel Roger Barros, the Lighthouse Brigade headquarters and instructor cadre, and the JROTC Cadets of Carver High School, Central High School of Talbotton County School System, Columbus High School, Hardaway High School, Jordan High School, Kendrick High School, Northside High School, Russell County High School, Shaw High School, Spencer High School, Columbus State University, Fort Benning Maneuver Center of Excellence Marching Band, and the Fort Valley State Marching Band.

THE CITIZENS OF THE COLUMBUS, PHENIX CITY, AND FT. BENNING  
COMMUNITIES

The great patriotic citizens of the Columbus, Phenix City, and Ft. Benning communities, who come out each year to show how much they love our country and appreciate Veterans for their service.

SUPPORT PERSONNEL IN PREPARATION OF EACH PARADE

City Councilor Jerry "Pops" Barnes, Columbus Parks & Recreation Department Staff and Director, Holli Browder, Phenix City Parks and Recreation Department Staff, Brad Strickland, and previous Department staff, Rebecca Harris.

MASTERS OF CEREMONIES - Radio and Television Personality Wesley Veasley also known as DJ Chip, and television personality and meteorologist, Miller Robson.

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Presented at the regular meeting of said Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.

Councilor Allen	voting yes.
Councilor Barnes	voting yes.
Councilor Crabb	voting yes.
Councilor Davis	voting yes.
Councilor Garrett	voting yes.
Councilor House	voting yes.
Councilor Huff	voting yes.
Councilor Thomas	voting yes.
Councilor Tucker	voting yes.
Councilor Woodson	voting yes.



Sandra T. Davis  
Clerk of Council



B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III  
Mayor