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# Resolution

## A RESOLUTION

**HONORING AND REMEMBERING THE OUTSTANDING MILITARY CAREER OF COLONEL WILLIAM H. BEYER AND RECOGNIZING THE EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTIONS HE MADE TO CITY AND COUNTRY BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER HIS YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY.**

**WHEREAS**, William H. Beyer, a graduate of Berea High School and Baldwin-Wallace College, spent a significant portion of his life in service to our nation as a member of the United States Marine Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Beyer received his commission as a Marine Corps Officer at Quantico Bay in 1955, and subsequently served in Europe, Latin American and the Middle East; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Beyer joined the US Marine Corps Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio in 1960, and went on to hold various leadership roles including Commander of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion 25<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment, and later served on the staff of the US Navy Readiness Command - Midwest Region, as a Senior Marine Officer where he commanded Reservists in Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and West Virginia from 1978-1982; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Beyer graduated from the Amphibious Warfare School in 1977, the Marine Corps Staff and Command College in 1979 and the National War College in 1981; and

**WHEREAS**, William H. Beyer retired from the US Marine Corps in 1985, having achieved the rank of Colonel; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Beyer viewed the opportunity to protect and defend the United States of America as an honor, and faithfully served his Country with courage, grace and humility; and

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Beyer's dedication to public service and volunteerism was also visible within the City of Berea, as evidenced by his receipt of the 1992 Grindstone Award which acknowledged his longtime commitment to the Berea Rotary Club, the Berea Jaycees, the Berea Chamber of Commerce, the Southwest Community Health Foundation, the Berea Area Historical Society, the American Legion, the Marine Corps League, and a multitude of other groups and organizations.

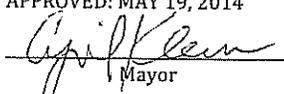
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

**SECTION 1.** That the Council President and all Members of Council do, hereby, honor and remember the outstanding military career of Colonel William H. Beyer by naming him City Council's first recipient of the Outstanding Military Member Award which will, heretofore, be named the Colonel William H. Beyer Commendation for Outstanding Military Service.

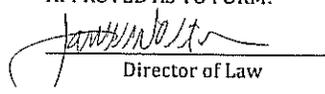
**SECTION 2.** That the Council President and all Members of Council, the Mayor and the Members of the Administration and the residents of the City of Berea do, with full and grateful hearts, recognize William H. Beyer for a lifetime of service to City and Country, and extend to him and his family and friends our sincere gratitude and respect for what was, without question, a life well lived.

**SECTION 3:** That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: MAY 19, 2014  
  
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President of Council

APPROVED: MAY 19, 2014  
  
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Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
  
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Director of Law