

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION HONORING PRIVATE ARTHUR PETERSEN
UPON RECEIVING THE
2012 MILITARY BALL OF SANTA BARBARA
GREATEST GENERATION AWARD**

WHEREAS, Private Arthur Petersen has been honored as the 2012 recipient of the Military Ball of Santa Barbara Greatest Generation Award in recognition of a lifetime of dedicated service to our country; and

WHEREAS, the Military Ball of Santa Barbara was initiated by philanthropist Pierre Claeysens in 1995 as a way of paying tribute to the U.S. Armed Forces, past and present in the Santa Barbara Region. It is currently sponsored by the Pierre Claeysens Veterans' Museum and Library and the Santa Barbara Navy League; and

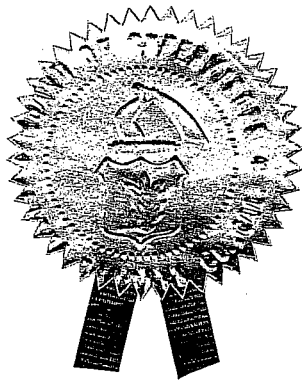
WHEREAS, Private Arthur Petersen was a member of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Foxtrot Company and parachuted into St Mere Eglise, France on D-Day, June 6, 1944. After D Day, he went on to fight in Operation Market Garden in Holland and the Battle of the Bulge; and

WHEREAS, Private Arthur Petersen is the recipient of the Bronze Star and Purple Heart in honor and recognition of his service and sacrifice in defense of our country; and

WHEREAS, Private Arthur Petersen and his family have lived in Santa Barbara since 1945 where he has been a strong advocate for veterans and veterans' organizations while also being an active member of the Southern California Chapter of the 101st Airborne Division Association;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Private Arthur Petersen upon receiving the Military Ball of Santa Barbara Greatest Generation Award and further commends him for his military and community service.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 6th day of November, 2012 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Chandra Walker
Clerk of the Board

L. J. O'Connell
Supervisor - 1st District

Janet Wolf
Supervisor - 2nd District

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Supervisor - 3rd District

Joni Gray
Supervisor - 4th District

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