



PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Brody Force Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2179 All-State Team Commander 2007-2008

WHEREAS: Brody "Bud" Force was born in Iselin to Brody and Katherine Force on January 12, 1948. He grew up in Hazlet and moved to Red Bank where he graduated from Red Bank High School in 1966, and

WHEREAS: After graduation, Bud enlisted in the United States Navy. Bud served in the Navy from July 1967 through January 1971. He was stationed on the USS Pluck, MSO 464. He went to Vietnam in 1969 and was awarded the Navy Achievement for meritorious services by the Secretary of the Navy, and

WHEREAS: After his enlistment, Bud attended Brookdale Community College and Kean University, earning a degree in Business Administration. Bud has been employed by Anchor Glass Container Corporation since 1980. Over the years, he has held various managerial positions in production and technical support, and

WHEREAS: Bud joined Middletown VFW Post 2179 in 2005. He served as Senior Vice-President in 2006-2007 and Post Commander 2007-2008. He was awarded the All-State Team commander for 2007-2008. Under his tenure, Post 2179 was presented with the National Community Service Recognition Award, and

WHEREAS: Bud is currently a third-year Trustee, and a member of the VFW Military Order of the Cootie and of the Vietnam Veterans of America, and

WHEREAS: Middletown VFW Post 2179 and the Ladies Auxiliary are recognizing the outstanding service of the VFW Post Commander. The Middletown Township Committee wishes to take this opportunity to thank Bud for his continuing support of veterans and his community. We are especially grateful for his invaluable assistance with Middletown's Support the Troops campaign.

NOW

THEREFORE: Be it proclaimed on Saturday, October 18, 2008 that I, Mayor Gerard P. Scharfenberger, and the Middletown Township Committee, commend Brody Force for his invaluable contributions to Middletown VFW Post 2179, his community, and to his country.