

**TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY**

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING MR. JOHN PALLER AS A RECIPIENT
OF THE "CHEVALIER DANS L'ORDRE DE LA LEGION D'HONNEUR,"
KNIGHT IN THE NATIONAL ORDER OF THE LEGION OF HONOR**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Township Committee wish to recognize and honor veterans for their exemplary service; and

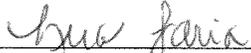
WHEREAS, John Paller resides in Raritan Township and began service in the United States Army at age Nineteen with the 491st Bombardment Group and conducted thirty-five combat missions which were instrumental to the Allied victory over Nazi Germany; and

WHEREAS, John Paller served his country with great honor and courage alongside our French allies to liberate the people of France; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2020 the Consul General, Ms. Anne-Claire Legendre will present the insignia of "Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Legion d'Honneur," the highest distinction that can be conferred in France upon a French citizen or non-French citizen, to John Paller in honor of his service to the people of France; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America is forever beholden to John Paller and all men and women of the "Greatest Generation" that selflessly gave of themselves in the face of the ultimate sacrifice to liberate the world and to ensure that all men and women may be free, in their generation and those to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Mayor Jeff Kuhl, and the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan on this eleventh day of February, two thousand and twenty, do hereby recognize and honor John Paller as a recipient of the "Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Legion d'Honneur" (Knight in the National Order of the Legion of Honor) for his service, heroism, sacrifice and courage in the face of grave danger to the people of France and of these United States of America.



Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk



Jeff Kuhl
Mayor