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1928-1952.

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To honor, recognize and celebrate the life and service of Private First Class Leroy William Bryant, 1928-1952.

WHEREAS, Leroy was born on February 13, 1928 in Archeville Georgia and later moved to Columbus, Ohio into the American Addition Community where he attended Columbus City Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Leroy worked for Farmer Fertilizer plant before he enlisted in the military and served in the Korean War in company C, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division as a light weapons infantryman; and

WHEREAS, during Leroy's service, he achieved the rank of Private First Class and has received numerous awards for his actions including a Purple Heart, a Combat Infantry Badge, the Prisoner of War Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, and many other honors; and

WHEREAS, during battle, Leroy's platoon was captured and while being held as a prisoner of war, Leroy became ill and passed away in North Korea;

WHEREAS, now after a long time away from home, Leroy's remains have been exchanged with North Korea and taken to Honolulu for DNA testing and identification and he can finally be laid to rest; and

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WHEREAS, Leroy was surrounded by fellow Korean War veterans in the Veteran's cemetery in the U.S. erected for unidentified soldiers; he was never alone on Memorial Day, but now he not only is he not alone, he is home; and

WHEREAS, Leroy is survived by brother Abner Bryant, Bonnie Bryant, Deborha Williams, and a host of nieces and nephews; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby honor, recognize, and celebrate the life and service of Private First Class Leroy William Bryant