

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

it is one of the privileges of the Mayor of Grove City to honor and recognize significant occasions; and

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz was born November 25, 1917 and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz was inducted into the United States Army on July 31, 1941 at Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, and was assigned to the 34th Infantry Division, 168th Regiment Company A, and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz was deployed to Scotland for training and later to Tunisia where he and the 34th Division were engaged at Kasserine Pass, Sbeitla, Fondouk, and was wounded at Oran, Algeria, and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz and the 34th Division were further deployed on September 21, 1943 to Italy engaging in battle at Salerno and later Ervin E. Hritz was taken as a POW by the German Army, and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz spent 17 months as a POW at Stalag 3B being liberated in April, 1945 by US Forces and later in September, 1945 was mustered out of the United States Army at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz was awarded numerous medals and honors, including: Eastern Theater Ribbon with three Bronze Stars; a Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster; Prisoner of War Medal; Good Conduct Medal and the American Service Medal, and;

Whereas: Ervin E. Hritz established his home and family in Grove City, Ohio in 1955 and passing in Grove City in 1976;

Now therefore, I, Richard L. Stage, as the Mayor of the City of Grove City do hereby honor the Ervin E. Hritz family by recognizing the unselfish sacrifices Ervin made for our great Nation by celebrating what would have been Ervin's 100th Birthday and hereby declaring November 25th 2017 as:

"Ervin E. Hritz Day"

in the City of Grove City, Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Grove City, Ohio be affixed this 18th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.


Richard L. Stage, Mayor

