

City of Troy

PROCLAMATION

IN RECOGNITION OF JAMES CAREY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 90th BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, Today family and friends gather to honor James Francis Carey on the occasion of his 90th birthday. On August 6, 1922 James Carey entered the world, making his parents very happy; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Holy Redeemer High School, Jim is a veteran of WW2, serving in the U.S. Army. He fought in Belgium at the Battle of the Bulge, suffered a battlefield injury and had one of his legs amputated above the knee; and

Whereas, When Jim was discharged from the Army following his rehabilitation he returned to his home state of Michigan. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Lawrence Institute of Technology. Following graduation, he took a position with Detroit Edison where he worked until his retirement; and

Whereas, Jim married Jean in 1950 at the National Shrine of the Little Flower and shared 25 wonderful years of marriage. Together they raised their six children; James Edward, Monica Jean, Maureen Bridget, Cheryl Lynn, Mark Edwin and Kathryn Mary. All but James and Monica were born in Troy. He has eight grandchildren and one great grandchild who have all provided him with a lot of love over the years; and

WHEREAS, Jim lived in Troy from 1955 to 1992, at the following addresses: 1814 Witherbee, 2691 Binbrooke, 1415 Brentwood, and 3839 Old Creek Road; and

WHEREAS, Jim served on the City's first Planning Commission in the late 1950's until December 1960. As a Planning Commissioner he was in favor of the design of I-75's winding route through Troy, believing that a straight, diagonal route through the City would kill its economy. He campaigned and lobbied hard for this route, personally calling on most of the farmers and homeowners who would be displaced or inconvenienced by the proposed route; and

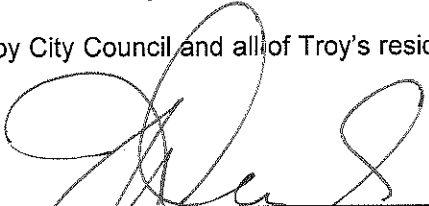
WHEREAS, Jim's foresight helped grow the City into the success it is today. Troy is now the largest city in Oakland county and 13th largest city in Michigan. Jim also served on the Troy City Council from April 10, 1961 through April 13, 1964 and served as Troy's Representative on the Oakland County Board of Supervisors for several years; and

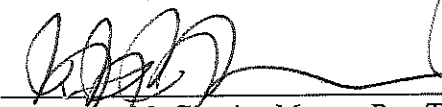
WHEREAS, Following Jim's retirement from Detroit Edison, he pursued his lifelong interest in History. He enrolled at Oakland University, spent a semester studying in Austria, and earned a Master's Degree in History. While in Michigan, he loved sailing in the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair, and belonged to the Edison Boat Club. Jim and his wife Inez currently live in Greensboro, North Carolina;

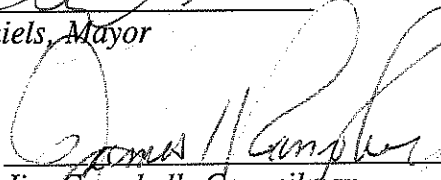
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy congratulate James Carey on the occasion of his 90th birthday, and thank him for his many contributions to this community;


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council and all of Troy's residents extend best wishes to Jim for many more healthy and happy years.


Presented this 6th day of August 2012.



Janice Daniels, Mayor

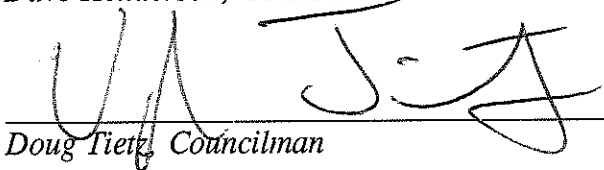

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