## 2017 RES-131

## RECOGNIZING PAUL WASHINGTON SR. FOR HIS SERVICE INCLUDING AS A MEMBER OF THE DANE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

WHEREAS Paul Washington Sr. served with great distinction as a Commissioner on the Dane County Veterans Service Commission from 2006 until his passing on June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS Paul served in the United States Army from 1953 to1955 including more than one year in the Korean Conflict serving in Seoul and Incheon as an Explosive Ordinance Disposal Specialist and was injured in a mine sweeping accident; and

WHEREAS he was very active member of local veterans service organizations including Badger Honor Flight, Madison Veterans Council, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1318, and served in multiple leadership roles; and

WHEREAS Paul served his Dane County and City of Madison community in a multitude of ways including as a Boy Scout leader and working for the City of Madison Water Utility, Madison Police Department, Dane County Sheriff's Office, and the United States Marshall's Office; and

WHEREAS during his tenure on the Veterans Service Commission, he played a key role in creating the "Vets Ride with Pride" bus pass program which provides bus passes to approximately 150 disabled Dane County veterans annually; and

WHEREAS Paul, most completely, was a kind person known and respected by many as he loved reaching out and being helpful to all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognizes Paul Washington Sr. for his many years of service on the Dane County Veterans Service Commission and his invaluable contributions to Dane County and our nation.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Paul Washington Sr. as a token of the esteem with which he is held by the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the residents of Dane County.