

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Technical Sergeant Frank Dabney Peregoy, born in Central Virginia on April 10, 1916, living in the Proffit area of Albemarle County, was a member of one of our area's most famous World War II-era fighting commands: "The Monticello Guard," Company K, 116th Infantry, 29th Division; and

Whereas, Peregoy, as a member of said unit, was awarded the Soldier's Medal—America's highest award for non-combat gallantry—on June 17, 1942, for saving the life of a fellow soldier; and

Whereas, Peregoy was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously on June 4, 1945, for singlehandedly attacking and defeating a strongly held enemy position at Grandecamp, France, on D-Day plus two, killing 8 enemy soldiers and capturing 35 including machine gunners; and

Whereas, Peregoy is one of only two Central Virginia World War II recipients of the Medal of Honor; and

Whereas, Peregoy's name is misspelled as "P-e-r-e-g-o-r-y" on numerous historical markers, buildings, and, sadly, on his gravestone in the U.S. cemetery in St.-Laurent-Sur-Mer, France;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby declare **April 10, 2016**, "Tech. Sgt. Frank Peregoy Day," and support a citizen campaign to correct the misinformation.

Signed this 6th day of April 2016.

Liz Palmer Chair, Albemarle County Board of Supervisors