



EL PASO COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

RESOLUTION



WHEREAS, (Retired) Sergeant Major James Perdue is an esteemed Assistant Professor at the Sergeants Major Academy, having dedicated his life to military service since enlisting in the U.S. Army on July 20, 1977; and,

WHEREAS, after completing Basic and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia, he advanced his skills at Airborne School and the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, over 27 years, he served in various elite Special Forces and Special Operations Units, beginning with the 5th Special Forces Group and culminating at the Joint Task Force North at Fort Bliss, Texas. His extensive experience includes key roles at the United States Army Special Warfare Center, Combat Application Group (CAG), and the Joint Special Operations Command; and,

WHEREAS, notably, he was awarded the Silver Star during Operation UNOSOM II in Mogadishu, Somalia, in October of 1993, Sergeant First Class Perdue exemplified extraordinary gallantry. Despite intense enemy resistance and significant friendly casualties, he led his team to rescue a downed helicopter crew and a trapped pilot, demonstrating remarkable courage and selflessness; and,

WHEREAS, his actions not only ensured the success of the mission but also honored the finest traditions of military service, reflecting great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army; and,

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Perdue also serves the community of El Paso as a reserve police officer for the City of Socorro and has been doing so for over 16 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court honor Retired Sergeant Major James Perdue, a true embodiment of bravery and dedication. His selfless service has made a profound impact on our lives and our nation. Through courage in the face of adversity, he has defended our freedom and exemplified the spirit of sacrifice. We are deeply grateful for his commitment and the many sacrifices he has made. Let us celebrate his legacy and express our heartfelt appreciation for his unwavering service.

SIGNED, this 4th day of November 2024

Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1

Commissioner David C. Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3

Commissioner Sergio Coronado, Pct. 4

County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego