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**El Paso County
Agenda Item Details**

Item Title: County Judge - Resolution recognizing Sergeant Major Curtis Lee Brown

Submitted By: Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge

Department: County Judge's Office

Department Phone Number: 915-273-3591

Subject: Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing and honoring the service of Sergeant Major Curtis Lee Brown in El Paso County, Texas.

Background: On June 29th, 1957, Curtis Brown was select to become one of the first African American Master Sergeant to be promoted to the prestigious rank of Sergeants Major. In which later he wrote and published lesson plans for the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy now located here in El Paso, Texas.

**Estimated Time Needed
For This Item:**



EL PASO COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

RESOLUTION



WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Curtis Lee Brown's military career began following his eighteenth birthday when he joined the United States Army. In Pine Bluff, Arkansas on November 19, 1943, he raised his right hand and dedicated the next 31 years of his life to protect our great Nation; and

WHEREAS, Upon completing basic training, he reported to Fort McClellan, Anniston Alabama, where he served as the Company Clerk in addition to several other duties. He was then promoted to the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, He was called to serve in France where he was stationed with the 40th Transportation Corp Company as the Company Truck Master, a very demanding position. But with his extensive knowledge he quickly improved the standards of operations within not only his Company, but in various other units; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service, Sergeant Major Brown was recognized and promoted to the rank of First Sergeant and even the position of Sergeant Major in a time of need. His expertise and leadership were continuously called upon; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Brown relocated once again to the state side where he served as a launcher crewmember in the 551st Missile Battalion. He continued to proudly serve as an air defense crewman; and

WHEREAS, on June 29th, 1957, Curtis Brown was select to become one of the first African American Master Sergeant to be promoted to the prestigious rank of Sergeants Major. Later, he wrote and published lesson plans for the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy now located here in El Paso, Texas. After a successful career of over three decades as a Soldier in the United States Army, Sergeant Major Brown retired from service on April 30th, 1975. Not breaking stride, Sergeant Major Brown continued to help by teaching and mentoring leaders of the United States Army.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court recognize and honor the service of Sergeant Major Brown who has demonstrated exemplary service to our County and our community and has acted as a pillar of support for his families and friends. Sergeant Major Brown is an inspiration of those who currently bear the burden of defending our nation.

SIGNED, this 10th day of March 2025

Commissioner Jackie Butler, Pct. 1

Commissioner David C. Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3

Commissioner Sergio Coronado, Pct. 4

County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego