

RESOLUTION NO. 12919-16

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Colonel William S. Galbraith served as the Commander, 733d Mission Support Group Army Element- Joint Base Langley-Eustis (JBLE) since June 15, 2013 and is scheduled to transfer command on June 28, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the personnel of the 733d Mission Support Group Army Element- Joint Base Langley-Eustis (JBLE) provide continuous mission support and quality of life for the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Headquarters, 7th Transportation Brigade (Expeditionary), 128th Aviation Brigade, 597th Transportation Brigade and over 15 other tenant units; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Galbraith was commissioned in 1990 and his service includes various logistics positions at the platoon, company, battalion and division staff levels. He has participated in contingency operations twice in Iraq and twice in Afghanistan. In his current position, Colonel Galbraith oversees facility maintenance, environmental and cultural resource programs, base security, housing, installation supply, transportation and personnel support services for a post community hosting over 22, 000 active duty, civilian, and retired personnel; and

WHEREAS, as Commander of the 733d Mission Support Group, Colonel Galbraith has served the City of Newport News, Virginia and the Hampton Roads area by providing leadership and support to the military members at all levels and their families assigned to JBLE. In addition, he has also served as a member of the Virginia Military Advisory Council which was established to maintain a common and productive relationship between the Commonwealth and the Armed Forces of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Galbraith has provided expertise, wisdom, and guidance to the military and civilian members of the 733d Mission Support Group and tenants assigned in the efforts to improve the implementation of Joint Base Langley-Eustis from two separate military installations into one; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Galbraith gave of his talents and time to extol the value that the men and women of the Department of Defense and in particular the U.S. Army provide to the United States of America and her citizens; and

WHEREAS, due to his unwavering commitment and call to excellence Colonel Galbraith leaves the 733d Mission Support Group, Army Element JBLE well positioned to support the Department of Defense and to remain an active and vital military installation on the Virginia Peninsula.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Newport News, Virginia:

1. That it hereby recognizes the dedicated and effective service of Colonel William S. Galbraith as the Commander, 733d Mission Support Group Army Element-Joint

- Base Langley-Eustis to the City of Newport News and the Virginia Peninsula.
2. That it expresses its sincere appreciation to Colonel William S. Galbraith for his service to the citizens of Newport News, the Virginia Peninsula, and to the United States of America.
 3. That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the records of this body and that a copy be delivered to Colonel William S. Galbraith.
 4. That this resolution take effect on and after the date of its adoption, May 10, 2016.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS ON MAY 10, 2016

Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC
City Clerk

McKinley L. Price, DDS
Mayor

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk