



WHEREAS the City of Fort Worth was established one hundred years ago as an outpost for peace on the Southwestern frontier and now is proud of its position in 1949 as a stronghold for air power charged with the duty of keeping the peace of the world; and

Whereas Captain James G. Gallagher of the United States Air Force and the B-50 bomber under his command, of the Forty-third Bombardment Wing of the Eighth Air Force, completed on March 2, 1949, the first non-stop plane flight around the world in history; and

Whereas by their epochal and historic feat, Captain Gallagher and the members of the crew of this Air Force plane, "Lucky Lady II," earned national and world-wide acclaim and credit for themselves, the Eighth Air Force, the Strategic Air Command, the entire United States Air Force; and

Whereas Fort Worth was honored as the city from which the Air Force elected to have Captain Gallagher and the men under his command start their flight on February 26, 1949, and it was the city in which this mission was brought to a triumphant conclusion in 94 hours and one minute; now therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of Fort Worth that Captain James G. Gallagher of the United States Air Force and the men under his command, members of the crew of the B-50 bomber "Lucky Lady II," are hereby designated as honored and honorary citizens of the City of Fort Worth, and as such shall henceforth be entitled to every courtesy and hospitality of this city; and further

Be it resolved that the City of Fort Worth designates as honored and honorary citizens President Harry S. Truman, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces; Mr. James V. Forrestal, Secretary for Defense; Mr. W. Stuart Symington, Secretary for Air; General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of the Air Force; Lieutenant General Curtis E. LeMay, Chief of the Strategic Air Command; Major General Roger M. Ramey, commanding the Eighth Air Force; and Col. James C. Selser Jr., commanding the 43d Bombardment Wing, who together planned and directed to successful conclusion this first non-stop aerial circumnavigation of the earth; and further

Be it resolved that this bestowal of honorary citizenship shall include those men of the crew besides Captain Gallagher who made this flight.

Captain James H. Morris

Captain Glenn E. Hacker

Captain David B. Parmelee

First Lieutenant Arthur M. Neal

First Lieutenant Earl L. Rigor

First Lieutenant William F. Caffrey

First Lieutenant Roland B. Bonner

Technical Sergeant Burgess G. Cantrell

Technical Sergeant Virgil L. Young

Technical Sergeant Melvin G. Davis

Staff Sergeant Robert G. Davis

Staff Sergeant Robert R. McLeroy

Staff Sergeant Donald G. Traugh

Affixed with the sign and seal of the City of Fort Worth

this _____ day of March, 1949.

Mayor, City of Fort Worth

City Secretary