

****RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF SAMUEL M. SHRIBERG****

WHEREAS, the City of Waltham honors the life, legacy, and extraordinary public service of **Mr. Samuel M. Shriberg**, a longtime resident, business owner, and civic leader who dedicated his life to the well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shriberg was a disabled veteran of World War II and a former Waltham VFW Post Vice Commander; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shriberg founded and chaired the **Waltham Save Our Servicemen (S.O.S.) organization**, which sent gifts and hometown newsletters to local service members, touching the lives of hundreds, for which he received the prestigious **Freedom Foundation Award**; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shriberg was the owner of the Red Cross Pharmacy on Moody Street and previously operated five area pharmacies, becoming a trusted healthcare professional and advisor to countless residents of Waltham and beyond; and

WHEREAS, despite facing profound personal health challenges, Mr. Shriberg remained steadfast in his commitment to serve his community and uplift those around him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shriberg founded the **Waltham Area Diabetes Chapter**, a pioneering organization that became a national model, earning him the **American Diabetes Association's "Man of the Year" Award**, and later recognition by the New England Area Diabetes Association as its **first honorary non-physician member**; and

WHEREAS, his leadership included serving as **president of the Lions Club**, **founder of the Waltham Little League**, **founder and advisor of the Waltham DeMolay Chapter**, and active membership in the Isaac Parker Lodge, the Moose Lodge, and Temple Beth Israel of Waltham; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shriberg's dedication to community service included leading the **Waltham March of Dimes**, chairing numerous **Red Cross committees**, advising diabetes organizations across New England, and serving as **president of the Waltham Pharmaceutical Association**; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Mr. Shriberg was appointed public chairman of the **Waltham Hospital Building Fund**, leading a major \$1.5 million effort to strengthen Waltham's healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waltham previously recognized Mr. Shriberg's service with a dedicated lectern on the Waltham Common, and today continues to honor his example of courage, resilience, faith, and unwavering commitment to community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waltham City Council formally recognizes and honors **Samuel M. Shriberg** for his exceptional service to the City of

Waltham, to veterans, to the medical and public health communities, and to countless individuals whose lives were made better through his compassion and leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Shriberg's memory continues to be a blessing and an inspiration, reminding all residents that service to others strengthens the very fabric of our community; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the family of Mr. Shriberg and to Temple Beth Israel of Waltham as a testament to the City's deep appreciation and gratitude.