

WHEREAS, the School Board believes WWII veterans sacrificed and deferred educational opportunities to serve our country and the world; and

WHEREAS, we believe that in many recorded and unrecorded circumstances, WWII vets have contributed greatly to the forward and positive free democratic societies enjoyed throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, we believe that the freedom and democracy afforded to citizens of the United States is in great part due to their many sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, we believe that WWII veterans deserve our gratitude and honor and this small gesture is a way to show how much we appreciate their sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, we support the children, grandchildren, and widows who are undertaking this in memory of their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, many communities have planned special events such as recognition and graduation ceremonies to honor veterans who have received their high school diplomas through this program; and

WHEREAS, this graduation ceremony is a wonderful opportunity for the citizens of Broward County to pay tribute and homage to our American heroes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Town Council of the Town of Davie supports the Florida Department of Education's High School Diploma for WWII Vets Program created during the 2000 legislative session to honor WWII veterans who did not graduate from high school because they entered the military at a critical time in history; and hereby proclaims Tuesday, May 1, 2001 as;

WORLD WAR II VETERANS' GRADUATION DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of April, 2001.

Harry Venis, Mayor