

RESOLUTION NO. 2461

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING THE ADOPTION OF ARMY UNIT C (COMANCHE) COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 27TH INFANTRY (LIGHT), 3RD BRIGADE, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION (THE WOLFHOUSES) AND AN AGREEMENT WITH AMERICA SUPPORTING AMERICANS PROVIDING FOR SUCH ADOPTION (ADOPTION OF THE WOLFHOUSES).

WHEREAS, American military forces are either engaged in defending or are prepared to defend and support American interests and principles; and

WHEREAS, the Adopt-a-Unit program created by America Supporting Americans on March 4, 1968 provides a mechanism whereby all branches of the United States Armed Services can be "adopted" by American communities; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this adoption program is to create a bond between American communities and the military men and women who bravely serve their country; and

WHEREAS, this bond is intended to support the morale of said service men and women without regard to individual political ties or affiliations; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the challenges confronting American service men and service women, it is appropriate and fitting that the Town of Payson in the State of Arizona show its support by adopting the following unit: C (Comanche) Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry (Light), 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, the Wolfhounds (Army),

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, DO HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Town of Payson, Arizona, does hereby adopt and offer its ongoing respect and support, in time of war and in time of peace, to the following unit: (Comanche) Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry (Light), 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, the Wolfhounds (Army).

Section 2. That the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Payson hereby designates Millard (Mil) Thornton as the official, primary liaison between the Town of Payson, the newly adopted unit, and America Supporting Americans, as the organization which has facilitated this adoption. All contact information for this individual is included in the Adoption Agreement Form attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof.

Prepared by Town of Payson Legal Department

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Section 3. That the Town of Payson hereby encourages all Town employees, businesses, service clubs, charitable organizations, and private citizens to become involved in supporting this adoption.

Section 4. That a copy of this Resolution Number 2461 shall be posted in a central, public place and shall be sent to the Arizona League of Cities and Towns urging participation in this cause.

Section 5. That the Agreement with America Supporting Americans, attached hereto marked Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof, be and is hereby approved in substantially for form as attached.

Section 6. That the Proclamation, attached hereto marked Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, be and is hereby approved in the form attached.

Section 7. That Kenny J. Evans, Mayor of the Town of Payson, be and hereby is authorized to sign the Agreement attached as Exhibit "A" and to sign the Proclamation attached as Exhibit "B".

Section 8. That Debra A. Galbraith, Town Manager of the Town of Payson, or her designee, is hereby appointed as the secondary contact person.

Section 9. That the Town of Payson be and hereby is authorized to take such other and further actions as are necessary or appropriate to carrying out the purposes of the Agreement with America Supporting Americans, this Resolution Number 2461, and the adoption of the Troop Unit known as The Wolfhounds as provided for herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, this _____ day of _____, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES _____ NOES _____ ABSTENTIONS _____ ABSENT _____

Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

Samuel I. Streichman, Town Attorney



AMERICA SUPPORTING AMERICANS: ADOPTION AGREEMENT FORM FOR CITIES

Congratulations on your community's decision to adopt a unit through the ASA program! We are delighted you have chosen to join the ASA adoptive family. Of course, we believe you could not have found a more wonderful way to support the men and women of our armed services, and we expect you will find it just as rewarding to your community as it will be to the members of the unit, ship, or squadron you have adopted.

In order to finalize this process, we ask that you fill out, sign, and return this form, together with your community's Adoption Resolution, to ASA's office in California:

Linda Patterson
America Supporting Americans
P.O. Box 574
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

If you have any questions, please direct them to Linda Patterson at (310) 459-5625. Linda's email address is artavia101@earthlink.net. Fax number (310) 454-1408 Thank you!

It is hereby agreed that (city/state): Payson, Arizona is adopting the following unit, C CO, 2-27 INF, 3rd BDE, 25th ID THE WOLFHOUNDS, through the AMERICA SUPPORTING AMERICANS (ASA) Adopt-a-Unit Program. It is further agreed that our community will regularly engage in activities designed to support this unit. We have chosen a primary and secondary contact person for this program. We understand that at least one of these people must be a city employee who can receive information, mailings, phone calls, and email through city hall, or a comparable official administrative location for our community. (Comanche) Company 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry (Light), 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (The wolfhounds)

The primary contact person in our community for this program will be:

Name: Millard (mil) Thornton
Address: 1305 N. Heather Circle

City: Payson State: AZ Zip: 85541
Phone: 928-468-6086 Email: MCTHORNTON@YAHOO.COM

This person is a city employee whose contact information, as listed above, corresponds to an administrative office for our municipal government.

Our secondary contact person will be:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

This person is a city employee whose contact information, as listed above, corresponds to an administrative office for our municipal government.

The name(s) of our local newspaper(s) is (are) Payson Round up, Rim Gazette

The name(s) of our local radio stations(s) is (are) KMOG

We agree to remain in contact with ASA, providing ASA with any changes in the above information, and returning to ASA the Adoption Update Forms which will be sent to us by ASA on a semi-annual basis. ASA may include the name of our community in the list of adoptive communities on the ASA website. In promoting or publicizing this adoption or adoption related activities, through whatever media, we will, if possible, include the fact that we adopted this unit through AMERICA SUPPORTING AMERICANS. We also agree that at least one of the two contact people for this adoption will always be a city employee who can be reached as described in the printed paragraph above.

Signed: _____ Printed name: _____
Mayor (or comparable civic official)

Date: _____ Accepted: _____
For AMERICA SUPPORTING AMERICANS

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, American military forces are either engaged in defending or are prepared to defend and support American interests and principles, and

Whereas, the Adopt-a-Unit program created by America Supporting Americans on March 4, 1968 provides a mechanism whereby all branches of the United States Armed Services can be "adopted" by American communities, and

Whereas, the purpose of this adoption program is to create a bond between American communities and the military men and women who bravely serve their country, and

Whereas, this bond is intended to support the morale of said service men and women without regard to individual political ties or affiliations, and

Whereas, in recognition of the challenges confronting American service men and service women, it is appropriate and fitting that the Town of Payson, in the State of Arizona show its support by adopting the following:

***Army Unit C (Comanche) Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry (light)
3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (The Wolfhounds).***

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED *that the Town Council hereby designates the Town Manager or Designee as official, primary liaison between this community, the newly adopted unit and America Supporting Americans, as the organization which has facilitated this adoption.*

The Town of Payson in the State of Arizona hereby encourages all Town employees, businesses, service clubs, charitable organizations, and private citizens to become involved in supporting his adoption.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Payson, Arizona, this 11th day of December in the Year 2008.

Attest:

Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

EXHIBIT "B"
to Resolution No. 2461

**Distinctive
Unit Insignia**



**Unit
Designation
Motto**

27th Infantry
Regiment
(The
Wolfhounds)
"Nec Aspera
Terrent"
("No Fear on
Earth")

**First
Assigned
to** 

1 October
1941

Unit History

The 27th Infantry was constituted and organized in February 1901. The Regiment saw its first action during the Philippine Insurrection on the island of Mindanao. In WW I the Regiment served with the American Expeditionary Force in Siberia where it gained its famous name of "The Wolfhounds". In 1921 the 27th Infantry was assigned to the Hawaiian Division at Schofield Barracks and then to the 25th Division upon its activation on 1 October 1941. The Wolfhounds participated in the first American action of WW II when the Japanese attacked Hawaii on 7 December 1941. The 27th Infantry went on to distinguish itself in campaigns with the 25th on Guadalcanal, the Northern Solomon Islands and then in fierce fighting on the island of Luzon. From 1945-1950 the Wolfhounds served on occupation duty in Japan. In response to the invasion of South Korea, the 27th Infantry, serving as the Eighth Army's fire brigade, was instrumental in preserving the Pusan Perimeter. The 27th participated in all ten campaigns with the 25th Division, earning three Presidential Unit Citations for gallantry. In Vietnam the 1st and 2nd Battalions served with the 2nd Brigade and participated in all twelve campaigns of the 25th receiving three Valorous Unit Awards while the 3rd Battalion served in the 4th Brigade, 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii from 1968-70. Post-Vietnam the 2nd and 3rd Battalions served with the 7th Infantry Division from 1986-93 and participated in the Panama expedition. The 4th Battalion, 27th Infantry served with the 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division from 1987 to 1995. In Desert Storm the 4th Battalion was tasked to furnish three platoons to the Third U.S. Army as replacements for casualties. After arrival in Saudi Arabia in January 1991 their mission was changed to that of providing security for the Third Army forward command post as it moved into Kuwait. Then on 1 March 1991 one platoon served as the escort and security for General Schwarzkopf at the truce signing in Iraq. The 1st Battalion served in Iraq from January 2004 to February 2005 with the 2nd Brigade Combat Team as a battalion task force conducting security and stability operations in the vicinity of the city of Kirkuk.

The 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry received a Valorous Unit Award for its conduct in combat actions against insurgent forces. The 2nd Battalion served in Afghanistan from April 2004 to April 2005. The 2nd Battalion conducted security and stability operations in eastern Paktika Province near the Pakistan border under the operational control of the 25th Division's Task Force Thunder. For its service in Afghanistan the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry was awarded a Meritorious Unit Commendation. The 27th Infantry is the only infantry regiment to have served continuously with the 25th Infantry Division since 1 October 1941. [Read more about them.](#)