



# City of Framingham

## Proclamation

### November 27, 2023

#### NICK PAGANELLA DAY IN FRAMINGHAM

**Whereas**, on November 27, 1933, Nicholas Paganella was born, between World War I and World War II, in the middle of the Great Depression

**Whereas**, in 1951, Paganella graduated from Marlborough High

**Whereas**, in 1952 Paganella volunteered to be a member of the Massachusetts National Guard

**Whereas**, in 1954, Paganella transferred to EAD and extended his active duty through National Guard to retain an E-4 Corporal status, and was assigned to the 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in Korea at the DMZ. Paganella was an instructor who taught Troops on gas protection warfare, standards to uphold if captured as a prisoner of war, and map orientation skills.

**Whereas**, Paganella was a Platoon Sgt. during basic training, and graduated from U.S. Army Parts and Identification School

**Whereas**, Paganella served more than 25 years in the military, including with the National Guard

**Whereas**, Paganella received the Korean Defense Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Overseas Military Reserve Medal, and the National Defense Medal

**Whereas**, Paganella is the past president and past Commander of Korean War Veterans of Massachusetts, and has organized numerous events to honor veterans and mark military history, including a commemoration of the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Korean War this year at Cushing Memorial Chapel

**Whereas**, Paganella is a member of the AMVets Post #79 in Natick, the Italian-American War Veterans Post #45 in Marlborough, and the Framingham Elks

**Whereas**, Paganella has been a member of the Framingham Veterans Council since its inception a decade ago in 2013, and still continues to actively serve on the Council today

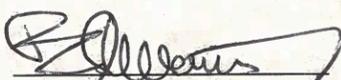
**Whereas**, Paganella graduated from Fitchburg State College, and opened a beauty salon in Marlborough in 1962. He also taught cosmetology classes at Keefe Technical Regional High School in Framingham from 1974 to 2002

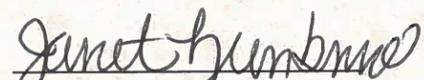
**Whereas**, Paganella married the love of his life Pat. The couple have two children, 5 living grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren

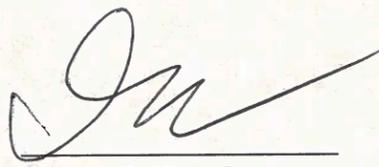
**Whereas**, Paganella was elected city-wide as a Cemetery Trustee in the City of Framingham in November 2021, and is currently the oldest serving elected leader in the City of Framingham

**Therefore**, I, Mayor Charlie Sisitsky, and the legislative branch of the City of Framingham, the Framingham City Council, want to wish Nick Paganella a happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday and declare **Monday, November 27, 2023, Nick Paganella Day in the City of Framingham.**

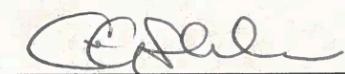
  
Charlie Sisitsky, Mayor

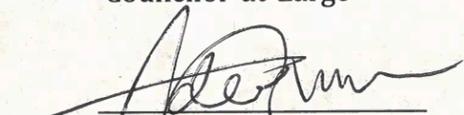
  
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District 6 Councilor & Chair

  
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Councilor-at-Large & Vice-Chair

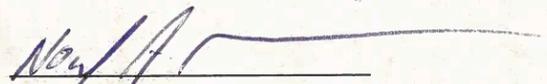
  
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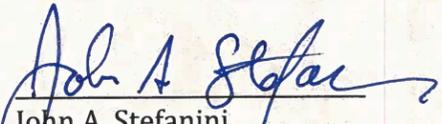
  
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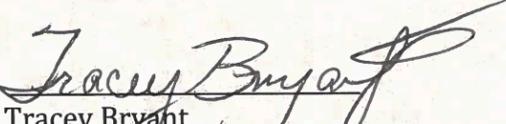
  
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District 4 Councilor

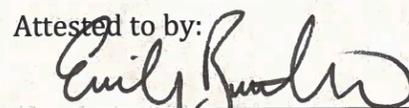
  
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Leora Mallach  
District 7 Councilor

  
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District 9 Councilor

Attested to by:

  
Lisa Antonio Ferguson, City Clerk  
Emily L. Butler, Assistant City Clerk