



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 2019-09

City Council

2/14/2019

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council Member Gerald Wingate

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION 2019-09 - DECLARING FEBRUARY 11, GENERAL DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES DAY IN PENSACOLA

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Resolution 2019-09:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA HONORING GENERAL DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES, JR. USAF AND DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 11 AS GENERAL DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES, JR DAY

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

General Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. was born in Pensacola Florida on February 11, 1920. As a young African American man, growing up in the Cradle of Naval Aviation, he dreamed of one-day flying.

After graduating from Booker T. Washington High School, General James attended the Tuskegee Institute where he joined the Army Air Corps and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the famed Tuskegee Airmen, the first African American pilots in the U.S. Air Corps.

Throughout his distinguished military career as a fighter pilot, General James flew 101 combat missions in the Korean Conflict, 78 combat missions over North Vietnam and became the first African American Four-star General in the United States Air Force.

General James brought honor and recognition to his native City of Pensacola by his contributions to our national defense, his steadfast love for his country and his dedicated military leadership.

This Resolution declares the birth day of General James, February 11, as General Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. Day in the City of Pensacola.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

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PRESENTATION: No