



THE NAVAJO NATION

Proclamation

IN HONOR & RECOGNITION OF THE LATE NAVAJO CODE TALKER JOHNNY ALFRED

WHEREAS, The Navajo Nation is greatly saddened by the loss of the late U.S. Marine Private First Class, Johnny Alfred, age 91; and

WHEREAS, The late Johnny Alfred, was a renowned Navajo Code Talker who served the United States of America, the Navajo Nation, and U.S. Marine Corps with courage, honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, The late Johnny Alfred, endured combat in the Pacific Theatre battles on the islands of Tarawa, Saipan, and Tinian; and

WHEREAS, The late Johnny Alfred, was a beloved member of the Tuba City community; and

WHEREAS, The Navajo Nation unites and offers prayers for his family and friends during this time of grief.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEN SHELLY, President of the Navajo Nation, do hereby proclaim that all flags shall be flown at half-staff in honor of Navajo Code Talker, Johnny Alfred, from February 2, 2011, through February 6, 2011.

ORDERED THIS 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY 2011

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ben Shelly", written over a horizontal line.

Ben Shelly, *President*
THE NAVAJO NATION