



THE NAVAJO NATION

Proclamation

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF THE LATE NAVAJO CODE TALKER CORPORAL TOM JONES, JR.

WHEREAS, The Navajo Nation is greatly saddened by the loss of the late Cpl. Tom Jones, Jr., who served in the U.S. Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, The late Tom Jones, Jr. was a 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 Tom Jones, Jr., service date in the U.S. Marine Corps began on November 26, 1943; and his date of separation from the Marine Corps was December 30, 1945;

WHEREAS, The late Tom Jones, Jr., was a beloved member of the U.S. Marine Corps; where he served as a messenger for the 3rd Division, Unit 297, Navajo Code Talkers 767 and Navajo Code Talkers 642 Platoons at Camp Pendleton in Oceanside, California; 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 the late Navajo Code Talker Cpl. Tom Jones, Jr., from sunrise on May 14 to sunset on May 17, 2014.

ORDERED THIS 13th DAY OF MAY 2014

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Shelly".

**Ben Shelly, President
THE NAVAJO NATION**