

# Resolution of the City of Jersey City, N.J.

City Clerk File No. Res. 10-431

Agenda No. 10.Z.9

Approved: JUN 23 2010

TITLE:



## RESOLUTION HONORING JERSEY CITY NATIVE MICHAEL SHAARA ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTH

### COUNCIL OFFERED AND MOVED ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION :

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara, the son of Italian immigrants was born in Jersey City on June 23, 1928; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara attended Jersey City Public School # 11 and graduated from Lincoln High School and Rutgers University; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara began his literary career writing for magazines such as The Saturday Evening Post, Cosmopolitan, and Redbook, with his contemporaries Isaac Asimov and Ray Bradbury; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara taught creative writing and literature at Florida State University, during which time he continued to write and publish; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara published "*The Killer Angels*", which won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 1975 and was later adapted into the film "*Gettysburg*"; and

**WHEREAS**, "*The Killer Angels*", now in its 109<sup>th</sup> printing, is considered to be the definitive literary work on the Civil War Battle of Gettysburg and has been used at the US Military Academy at West Point; and

**WHEREAS**, "*The Killer Angels*" has been cited by filmmaker Ken Burns as a primary influence on his documentary style and interest in the Civil War; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Shaara sadly did not receive the acclaim due him before his untimely death on May 5, 1988;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City hereby honors its native son, Michael Shaara, for his contributions to American history and literature, on the 82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of his birth.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

APPROVED: *J. Lally*  
Business Administrator

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Corporation Counsel

Certification Required

Not Required

APPROVED **9-0**

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON FINAL PASSAGE											
				6/23/10							
COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.
SOTTOLANO	✓			GAUGHAN	✓			FLOOD	✓		
DONNELLY	✓			FULOP	✓			VEGA	✓		
LOPEZ	✓			RICHARDSON	✓			BRENNAN, PRES	✓		

✓ Indicates Vote

N.V.-Not Voting (Abstain)

Adopted at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City N.J.

*Peter M. Brennan*  
Peter M. Brennan, President of Council

*Robert Byrne*  
Robert Byrne, City Clerk