City of Sumter

South Carolina

Proclamation

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF SUMTER)
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WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna was born on March 21, 1970 in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna entered the Air Force in June of 1993 as a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna joined the Society of American Military Engineers September 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS, his previous position was the Chief of the Force Enabler Programs Branch at the Air Staff (Pentagon) where he was responsible for the development and management of the Non-appropriated Funds, Defense Access Roads, Defense Logistics and Fuels, P-341 – Unspecified Minor Construction, and Temporary Facilities Programs; and

WHEREAS, he has held several base, MAJCOM, and Air Staff-level positions, as a career Civil Engineer. His base-level experience included assignments in the Environmental, Maintenance Engineering, Operations and Resource Flights; and

WHEREAS, at HQ USAFE he was responsible for all O&M requirements and funding and later worked all deployment and readiness issues for the Civil Engineer, Contracting, Security Forces, and Contracting personnel within the command; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna commands the 20th Civil Engineer Squadron at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. He commands over 500 military/civilian personnel responsible for operations, maintenance, repair and construction of nearly 1,300 buildings/over 1,400 family housing units valued at over $2 billion; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna became President of the Carolina Midlands SAME Post in 2011; and

WHEREAS, he has dedicated service to the Society and the Carolina Midlands Post and has been an active and faithful member for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Matt Benivegna's leadership and outstanding service to the Society and to the Carolina Midlands Post has contributed to the success of the Post and is greatly appreciated, and is keeping with the highest traditions of the Society.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor of the City of Sumter, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim ***May 8, 2012*** as:

"LIEUTENANT COLONEL MATT BENIVEGNA DAY"
in the
CITY OF SUMTER

and hereby urge the citizens of this community to join with me in extending gratitude to him for his many years of service to his community, state and nation.

Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor

Linda D. Hammett, City Clerk