



PROCLAMATION MARON BUICE

Maron Buice was born on July 31, 1926 in Gainesville, Georgia; and his family moved to a farm in the Riverside area of what is now Sugar Hill, Georgia in 1932; and

Almost immediately after his 18th birthday in 1944, Maron received his draft notice for World War II.

He began service in the United States Army and spent eight months of training at Camp Blanding in Florida before being sent to Fort Ord in California and ultimately overseas.

One of Maron's memories upon leaving California by boat overseas was the Salvation Army Brass Band playing "Georgia on My Mind".

Maron was sent to Japan and was among some of the first United States Army Infantry personnel to occupy Japan as it surrendered to Allied Forces; and

He was in one of the first troops to be sent into Okinawa and witnessed the aftermath of the atomic bomb destruction of Hiroshima; and

Maron's service during World War II was not his only significant contribution to his country and his community; as

Maron contributed sixteen years of public service as a Gwinnett County Commissioner, created the first volunteer fire department in Sugar Hill, created the first Park and Ride in Buford, started Gwinnett Clean and Beautiful, helped extend Peachtree Industrial Boulevard into Hall County, and contributed towards the Georgia Highway 20 Bridge over Mangum's Crossing.

Now, Therefore, be it resolved by Mayor and Council of the City of Sugar Hill that we honor the amazing life and legacy of Maron Buice and thank his family for his contributions towards the Sugar Hill community and Gwinnett County.

Resolved this 8th day of June, 2020

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Susie Walker, Mayor Pro Tem

Taylor Anderson, Council Member

Marc Cohen, Council Member

Brandon Hembree, Council Member

Curtis Northrup, Council Member