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Mayor Jacobs To Recognize Veterans and Military Families Month

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will recognize National Veteran and Military Families Month by highlighting HonorAir Knoxville and U.S. Air Force Captain Bill Robinson during a series of videos in November. In addition, Mayor Jacobs will record a video message for Veterans Day on Nov. 11.

"Our military veterans and their families sacrifice so much so that we can live in the greatest country in the world," Jacobs said. "Honor Air Knoxville does great work in honoring the military community through their program. Like Captain Bill Robinson showed us, we know our service members are strong, but they're strengthened even more when families and communities like Knox County, love and support them."

Founded in 2007 by Knoxville entrepreneur Eddie Manis, HonorAir Knoxville serves East Tennessee's WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam Veterans with a trip to Washington, D.C. to visit memorials honoring their service and sacrifice. You can find the video story of HonorAir Flight 34 <u>here</u>.

Captain Bill Robinson, the longest-held prisoner of war in U.S. history, shared his story with Mayor Jacobs discussing his eight years in captivity, and his return home. Highlights from the conversation can be found on our Knox County social media pages and YouTube channel on Nov. 18.

For more information on services offered to veterans in Knox County, please call 865-215-5645 or visit <u>www.knoxcounty.org/veterans/</u>