



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION POSTHUMOUSLY HONORING AND COMMENDING

*Private First Class
Helmut Fred Behlert*

WHEREAS, Helmut Fred Behlert was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on October 25, 1916 and he attended high school and was employed at the Salt Lake City South High School; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1942, **Private First Class Behlert** enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and he trained as an intelligence scout; and

WHEREAS, in October 1942, **Private First Class Behlert** deployed overseas with the Marine Corps as a scout and he saw action in the Guadalcanal Campaign and at the Battle of Tarawa; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 1944, **Private First Class Behlert** was reported killed in action at the age of twenty-eight while participating in an amphibious assault during the Battle of Saipan although, at the time of his death, **Private First Class Behlert's** remains could not be identified and he was reported missing in action; and

WHEREAS, investigators were recently able to identify **Private First Class Behlert's** remains and he will be laid to rest at noon on May 20, 2026, with full military honors, at the Golden Gate National Cemetery, in San Bruno, where his ninety-four year old niece, Ruth Green, of El Sobrante, California, will be on hand; and

WHEREAS, this Board honors the service and sacrifice of **Private First Class Behlert**, and all other servicemembers who served our Nation with honor and courage during World War II and in other wars and conflicts, as well as those who worked so painstakingly to identify and to bring home **Private First Class Behlert** and other missing in action servicemembers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors calls upon the community to recognize and honor **Private First Class Helmut Fred Behlert** and all those who have given their lives in defense of this Nation and that the Board acknowledges and thanks those who worked to identify **Private First Class Behlert** and other servicemembers who are missing in action.

Dated: May 19, 2026

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