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PRESS RELEASE: MARSOC Silver Star recipient recognized by New York State Senator with a Legislative Resolution

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE N.C. (May 7, 2010) Senator John A. DeFrancisco (R-I-C, Syracuse) recognized Chief Petty Officer Jeremy K. Torrissi, Monday, 3 May at the Syracuse City Hall Common Council Chambers with a State of New York Legislative Resolution upon the occasion of receiving the Silver Star Medal on January 21, 2010, for his heroic actions while performing military service in Afghanistan.

“I am especially proud to honor Chief Petty Officer Torrissi, who grew up in the 50th Senate District, and whose parents still reside here,” said Senator DeFrancisco. “He should be commended for his patriotism, dedication and strong commitment to our Nation.”

Torrissi has served with MARSOC since 2006, coming to 2d Marine Special Operations Battalion after multiple assignments as a special amphibious reconnaissance corpsman. Torrissi rendered aid to fellow Marines and Sailors on June 26, 2008 in Afghanistan in the face of overwhelming odds saving the lives of four of his teammates. During these actions, Torrissi was shot in the leg, refusing treatment until the wounded were attended to and evacuated from their location.

“Answering the call to serve in this dangerous time in such an incredibly heroic way is truly an inspiration to all of us. He has made the world a safer place, not only for those whose lives he saved, but also for each and every freedom-loving American citizen,” said Senator DeFrancisco.

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