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Homecoming 250 Navy Marine Corps Aims to Bring Navy, Marine Corps 250th Celebrations to Greater Philadelphia


“We want to honor the Navy and Marine Corps for their service to our Nation over their 250-year history,” said George Leone, chairman and president of Homecoming 250 Navy Marine Corps, who spoke at the event. “There is no better place to honor those services and their history than where the Navy and Marine Corps were born and raised – Philadelphia and the banks of the Delaware.”

Homecoming 250 Navy Marine Corps recently formed as a non-profit corporation in Pennsylvania to garner support for the celebration effort. The company is working with Navy and Marine Corps officials and gathering support letters and resolutions from government entities to send to incoming Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro, once confirmed, urging his office to make this area the main celebration site.

“We are grateful for the support of the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware Congressional delegations, Governor Wolf, Governor Murphy, Mayor Kenney, and Mayor Carstarphen, as well as the support in the resolutions passed by the New Jersey Senate, Pennsylvania House, Philadelphia City Council, and Camden County Council,” Leone said.

Affiliated organization Tun Tavern Legacy Foundation plans to rebuild Tun Tavern, birthplace of the Marine Corps, near its original site. The celebrations will take place in October and November 2025.

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