

UPF Gapyeong, South Korea Unveils Honorary Peace Road in Gapyeong County

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To commemorate the 72nd Anniversary of the Korean War, the unveiling ceremony of the Honorary Road 'Pyeonghwa-ro (Peace Road)' was held in the morning of June 25, 2022, in front of the Commonwealth Veterans Affairs Monument so that people will never forget the sacrifice and devotion of the Korean War veterans.

Hosted by the UPF Gapyeong branch and conducted by the Gapyeong county's Ambassadors for Peace Association, the order of the event was: The commemoration ceremony and the unveiling ceremony, which was witnessed by more than 100 participants, including the chairman of the Ambassadors for Peace Association Yuk Do-su, advisor of the Ambassadors for Peace Association Park Sang-sun, UPF district chair Lee Jong-hyo, governor of Gapyeong county Kim Seong-gi, member of the National Assembly Choi Chun-shik, elected provincial member Lim Gwang-hyun, council members and elected council member Choi Jung-yong.



On this day, Governor Kim Seong-gi stated, "Gapyeong is a place where many fierce combats took place with dispatched troops from the US, the UK, Australia, New Zealand, etc. Here, the Korean Army defended it with their devotion and sacrifice." Finally, I would like to name this place 'Pyeonghwa-ro' so that we can remember their sacrifice forever."

In his congratulatory address, a member of the National Assembly Choi Chun-shik said, "As we commemorate the 72nd anniversary of the Korean War, I hope the establishment of this honorary road 'Pyeonghwa-ro' will shed new light on the history

lesson. I hope we can show our values and succeed in developing them into civic awareness that may raise the self-esteem and pride of the Gapyeong citizens.

Chairman of the Ambassadors for Peace Association Yuk Do-su stated in his welcoming address, "Many soldiers from Korea and abroad burned their souls to protect peace in Korea in the Battles of Gapyeong during the Korean War. Gapyeong, a place where there are sixteen Korean War monuments and memorials, is the shrine of world peace."

He also declared, "I believe that 'Pyeonghwa-ro' will become the catalyst for the city of Gapyeong to become an international city of peace tourism as a key pillar to the reunification of Korea and world peace."

The newly established Honorary Road 'Pyeonghwa-ro' is a section of 12km from 2546 Hoban-ro, Gapyeong-eup to 168 Hwaaksan-ro, Buk-myeon, which includes eight Korean War monuments and memorials.