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PRESS RELEASE

**Clyde W. Cospers Texas State Veterans Home to salute
World War II veteran Doyle Taylor on 100th birthday**

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BONHAM, TX — Today, Veterans Land Board Chairman George P. Bush announced the city of Bonham will designate Friday, November 16, 2018, as Doyle Taylor Day in honor of the Navy veteran's 100th birthday. The proclamation will be read Friday morning at a private reception at the Clyde W. Cospers Texas State Veterans Home. Taylor, a resident at the Clyde W. Cospers Texas State Veterans Home, will celebrate his 100th birthday with his sister, two grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren during the reception, which begins at 11 a.m. at the Veterans home located at 1300 Seven Oaks Road, Bonham, Texas.

Media are invited to attend the reception. Taylor will be presented with a certificate from Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush, as well as a resolution and flag from Texas State Senator Bob Hall. A Bonham city official will read the proclamation at the reception, as well.

Taylor was born on November 16, 1918, in North Zulch, Texas. He grew up on a 300-acre farm with his parents and four younger sisters. As a young man, he went to work at North American Aircraft Corporation in Dallas. On September 22, 1942, at the age of 23, Doyle Taylor enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served at Naval Air Station Alameda in California. After three years of service, he was honorably discharged as an Aviation Metalsmith 3rd Class on his 27th birthday.

After leaving the Navy, Taylor took his wife, Celia, and their only child, Larry Taylor, to Grand Prairie, Texas. He worked as a mechanic at Steakley Chevrolet until his retirement. He then moved to Gilmer, Texas where he and his wife enjoyed retirement by fishing, gardening, and raising cattle. Mr. Taylor has been a resident of the Clyde W. Cospers Texas State Veterans Home since February 2016.

100th Birthday Celebration of Navy Veteran Doyle Taylor and Family

11 a.m. | Friday, November 16, 2018

Clyde W. Cospers Texas State Veterans Home,

1300 Seven Oaks Road, Bonham, Texas

This is a private event. Media are welcome to attend.

All media interested in attending MUST RSVP to karina.erickson@glo.texas.gov by 5:00 PM on Thursday, November 15, 2018.

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