

Resolution 2023-10-XX

Motion By:
Second By:

Dist.	Supervisor	Y	N	Abs
1	Bialecki			
2	Anderson-Malm			
3	McCrank			
4	Osness			
5	Wendorf			
6	Ashbeck			
7	Rusch			
8	Thiel			
9	Friske			
10	Boyd			
11	Detert			
12	DePasse			
13	Callahan			
14	Hafeman			
15	Lemke			
16	Loka			
17	Meunier			
18	Wickham			
19	Allen			
20	Cummings			
21	Simon			
22	Hartwig			
Totals				
Carried				
Defeated				
Amended				
Voice vote				
Roll call				

LINCOLN COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS

WHEREAS, the residents of Lincoln County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of those who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County seeks to honor individuals who have made countless sacrifices for freedom by placing themselves in harm’s way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veterans Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, active military service members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln County appreciates the sacrifices of our United States military personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted; therefore be it

RESOLVED, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, Lincoln County hereby declares from November 6th through Veterans Day, November 11th 2023 a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifices of our men and women in uniform transitioning from active service; therefore, be it further

RESOLVED, that in observance of Operation Green Light, Lincoln County encourages its citizens in patriotic tradition to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying green lights in a window of their place of business or residence from November 6th through the 12th, 2023.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) SS
COUNTY OF LINCOLN)

I hereby certify that this resolution/ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Lincoln County Board of Supervisors on:

Christopher J. Marlowe
Lincoln County Clerk

Dated:

Authored by:
Co-Sponsored by:
Committee:
Committee Vote:
Fiscal Impact:

Date Passed:

Drafted by: John Olson, County Veterans Service Officer



JOIN OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS

America's counties have a long and proud history of serving our nation's veterans, a legacy that continues to this day as we work with our federal, state and local partners to ensure that the former service members in our communities have access to the resources they need to thrive.

This coming Veterans Day, the National Association of Counties (NACo) and the National Association of County Veteran Service Officers (NACVSO) invite the nation's 3,069 counties, parishes and boroughs to **join Operation Green Light and show support for veterans by lighting our buildings green from November 6 to November 12**. By shining a green light, county governments and our residents will let veterans know that they are seen, appreciated and supported.

HOW TO JOIN

- Visit www.naco.org/operationgreenlight to access the Operation Green Light for Veterans County Toolkit.
- Use the County Toolkit template to pass a resolution declaring your county's participation in Operation Green Light for Veterans.
- Coordinate with your county Director of Facilities or Building & Grounds to light municipal buildings in green. Options include using projections, flood lights or green filters for existing lights.
- Use the templates and social media resources in the County Toolkit to promote the campaign to local press, businesses, county residents and Members of Congress.
- Upload details about your county's participation through the form included in the County Toolkit.
- Encourage individuals, businesses and community partners to show support by turning on a green light from November 6 to November 12!
- Support veterans year-round by purchasing supplies from veteran-owned businesses on Amazon Business at www.amazon.com/veteran-owned.

*Scan the QR code for more
about Operation Green Light,
including a county toolkit.*



AMAZON IS PROUD TO SUPPORT OPERATION GREEN LIGHT

Amazon values the unique skills and experience that the military community brings and we've pledged to hire 100,000 veterans and military spouses by 2024.

Military Community Outreach

We are committed to making Amazon the most military-friendly company in the world by leveraging our diverse resources and technology to solve critical problems. We focus on supporting disabled veterans, mental health, suicide prevention, military families and urgent needs – like homelessness and food insecurity – around the globe.

World-Class Veteran & Military Spouse Recruiting

Veterans and military spouses in your community can learn more about career opportunities at Amazon by attending a Global Military Affairs webinar where they can engage with recruiters directly.

Visit amazonmilitarywebinarseries.splashthat.com to join an upcoming webinar.

Corporate Leader In Veteran & Military Spouse Retention

We offer veterans the Military Mentoring Program, a network of support and tailored training experiences to assist in their transition from the military, another company or the academic environment.

Visit amazon.jobs/military to learn more.

COUNTIES MATTER FOR VETERANS

County Veteran Service Officers (CVSOs) in 29 states are responsible for successfully processing more than \$52 billion in compensation, pension, health care and other benefits for veterans each year.

Counties across the nation operate Veterans Treatment Courts, through which we can connect justice-involved veterans with programs and benefits that can treat underlying mental health and substance abuse conditions.

Counties support veterans' access to stable housing, employment and education and critical mental health services that treat trauma and prevent suicide.

