



**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS IN TRANSITION TO CIVILIAN LIFE (VETERAN STATUS)**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Lee County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all of the men and women who have selflessly served their country and this county in the Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS**, the contribution and sacrifices of the men and women that served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Lee County seeks to honor these individuals who have paid the high price for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

**WHEREAS**, Lee County's Veteran Population today totals 4,352; and

**WHEREAS**, Veterans continue to serve this county in the Lee County Veterans Council, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Marine Corps League, schools, church groups, civil service; and

**WHEREAS**, three Veterans serve on the Lee County Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, A veteran serves on the Lee County Board of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, Lee County is the home of the North Carolina Veterans Memorial and the newly dedicated North Carolina Disabled Veterans Monument; and

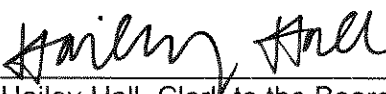
**WHEREAS**, Lee County appreciates all the sacrifices made by our United States Military Personnel, while defending freedom and we believe affording specific recognition to them in demonstrating appreciation of their service, to honor and support;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That Lee County hereby declares from November 6 through November 12, 2023, designating as "Green Light for Military Service" a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifice of our personnel in uniform transitioning from Active Service; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That in observance of "Operation Green Light," the Lee County Board of Commissioners encourage its citizens in a patriotic tradition, to recognize the importance of honoring all those whose immeasurable sacrifices help preserve our Freedoms by displaying a green light in their place of business or residence from November 6 through November 12, 2023.

Presented this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:

  
Hailey Hall, Clerk to the Board



  
Kirk D. Smith, Chair  
Lee County Board of Commissioners