

RESOLUTION/PROCLAMATION NO. 182-2023
SUPPORTING OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS NOVEMBER 6-12, 2023

WHEREAS, the residents of Kitsap County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all who have selflessly served our country and our communities in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of service members are vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by residents; and

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

WHEREAS, Veterans continue to support Veterans through their service on the Kitsap Veterans Advisory Board, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Kitsap Area Veterans Alliance, and civil service, to help fellow former service members access more federal, state and local funding for them and their families, including disability and compensation benefits; and

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 service members transition annually to civilian communities nationwide and 32,000 Veterans reside in Kitsap County; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44 to 72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life and are at high risk for suicide during their first year as civilians; and

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

WHEREAS, Kitsap County and the Kitsap County Veterans Advisory Board appreciates the sacrifices of our present and former United States military personnel and believe special recognition should be bestowed upon them as well as on Veterans Day, November 11, 2023, when we salute and honor the service and sacrifices of men and women in uniform who have transitioned from active service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of County Commissioners hereby invites the public to show recognition of Veterans, so they know they are seen, appreciated and supported by joining Operation Green Light for Veterans and lighting buildings green or displaying a green light in a window in their place of business or residence from November 6 to 12, 2023.

Adopted this 23rd day of October 2023



Attest

Dana Daniels

Dana Daniels, Clerk of the Board

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