

Resolution honoring veterans.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the United States recognizes its veterans by celebrating their courage and sacrifice every November 11th on Veterans Day and throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, many residents of Lake County have served in America's Armed Forces and many are currently serving on active duty; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has a veteran population of just under 40,000 and the Veteran's Assistance Commission of Lake County is currently serving over 9,000 veterans or their families; and

WHEREAS, some individuals have paid the ultimate price for freedom by sacrificing their lives for the safety and security of Americans everywhere, including the 24 Lake County Veterans who have died on active duty since September 11th; and

WHEREAS, Veterans of Lake County contribute more than 100,000 hours of volunteer service through various Veteran Service Organizations; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has a unique role in our nation's defense as the home of Great Lakes Naval Station and the Fort Sheridan Army Reserve Center; and

WHEREAS, in addition the traveling World War II Memorial "Pillars of Honor" will be in Lake Zurich on November 19th, 2011, recognizing the service of our World War II veterans.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board hereby recognizes the sacrifice of America's veterans and hopes for the safe return of the men and women who are currently serving to defend American freedom and values; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board takes this occasion to recommit itself to upholding the principles of liberty, opportunity and justice for every citizen of Lake County, Illinois, and the

United States of America.

DATED, at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 8th day of November, 2011.