**TOWN OF COPAKE**
**RESOLUTION**

**No. 29 of October 21, 2026**

**A Resolution Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans 2026**

**WHEREAS,** the residents of the Town of Copake 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,** the Town of Copake 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 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,** 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,** The Town of Copake appreciates the sacrifices of our United States military personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, The Town of Copake hereby declares November 4-11, 2026, as a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifices of those transitioning from active service; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that in observance of Operation Green Light, The Town of Copake will display a green light in the Town Hall from Wednesday, November 4, 2026, through Wednesday, November 11, 2026; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Town of Copake 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 4-11, 2026.

Roll Call Vote: The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilperson, and seconded by Councilperson, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows:

Dated October 21, 2026
Copake, New York

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Wolf
Councilperson Gansowski
Councilperson Gabaccia
Councilperson Haight
Councilperson Morningstar

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Lynn M. DeRocha, Town Clerk

(seal)

October 21, 2026