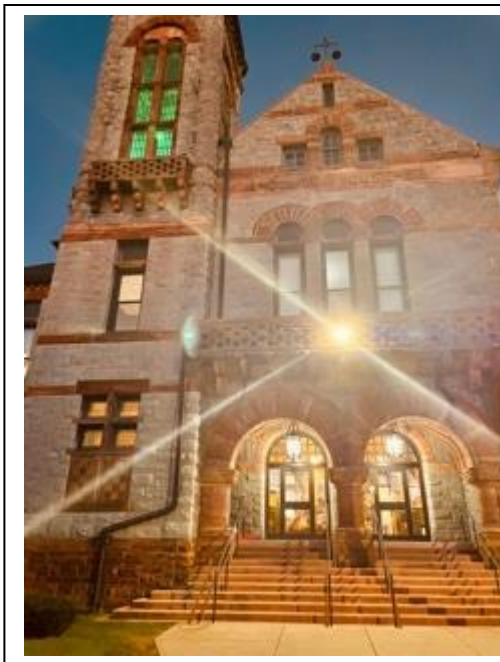




MEDIA RELEASE

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ST LAWRENCE COUNTY COURTHOUSE TOWER ILLUMINATED IN GREEN TO SUPPORT VETERANS DURING ‘OPERATION GREEN LIGHT’ AND ANNOUNCES VIP PARKING FOR VETERANS AT COUNTY BUILDINGS IN CANTON



November 10, 2021 -- St Lawrence County Administrator Ruth A. Doyle announced today that the Tower at the County Court House in Canton located at 48 Court Street will be illuminated in green to support ‘Operation Green Light’ and also unveiled new VIP Parking at County buildings in Canton.

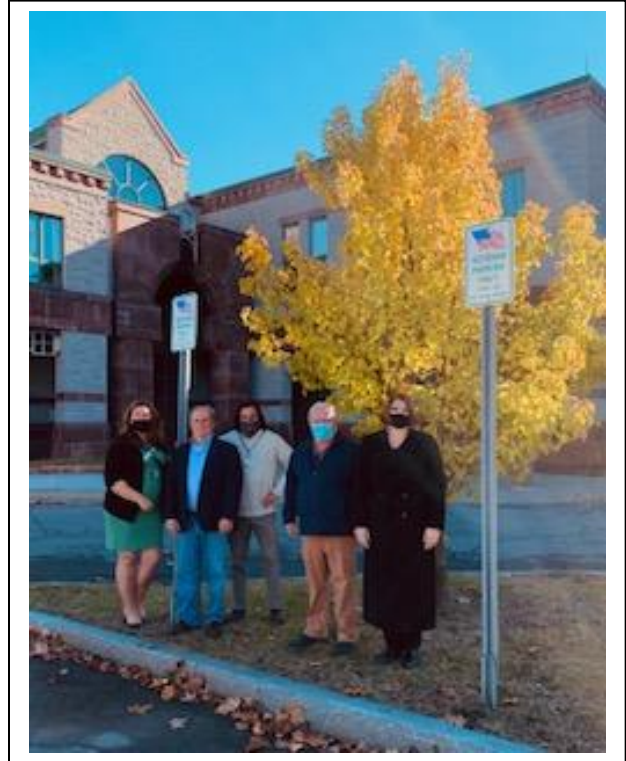
‘Operation Green Light’ is an initiative being embraced across the State this year in partnership with the New York Street Association of Counties and the New York State County Veteran Service Officers’ Association. The mission of ‘Operation Green Light’ is to show support for veterans of all military conflicts, with a special emphasis on the veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan. It is also to raise awareness about the challenges faced by many veterans and the resources that are available at the county, state, and federal level to assist veterans and their families.

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators Chair William Sheridan said, “By shining a green light we are expressing our profound gratitude for the sacrifices and contributions our veterans and their families made on the battlefield and at home.” He continued, “At a time when our country is divided on so many things, we can all agree that the men and women who risked and sacrificed their lives fighting to protect our country and our way of life deserve our support. I encourage everyone to join with us in displaying a green light for our veterans.”

Residents are encouraged to participate by simply changing one light bulb in their house to a green bulb. This can be an exterior light or an interior light that sparks a conversation with friends. By shining a green light, the County is letting veterans know that they are seen, appreciated, and supported. While this event is focused around the week of Veteran’s Day,

citizens are encouraged to continue shining the light for the entire month of November when we honor our Veterans.

Mrs. Doyle said, “In recognition of ‘Operation Green Light’ VIP parking has been designated for veterans as a small token of gratitude in recognition of those who have served. In Canton, there are two parking spaces at the Court House, the HB Smith Building, the Human Services Center, and one parking space at the Public Safety Complex.” She continued, “We are grateful to all who protect our Country.”



Pictured above are St. Lawrence County Administrator Ruth Doyle, St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators Chair William Sheridan, Director of Veterans' Services and veteran, Mike Boprey, Buildings and Grounds Superintendent and veteran Dale Grant, and Veterans' Staff, Teshia White

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