



Meeting Name: Town Council
Meeting Date: February 25, 2026
Prepared By: R. Cole, Town Manager
Item Title: Resolution No. 2026-03 – Veterans Memorial Policy

DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Hosta recently requested to hold a traditional military honor ceremony to honor her deceased husband, Ronald Francis Hosta, at the Veterans' Memorial located at the Town Center courtyard. Mr. Hosta was a US Army Captain stationed in Germany, Korea, and Vietnam. Among his many notable achievements in his military service to our country, Mr. Hosta he coached a local Army basketball team in Germany, having taken them all the way to a European championship.

Staff reported to me that all special event requirements, including insurance, facility rental fees, etc., would be required to authorize the ceremony. However, it is not unusual for municipalities to accommodate without charge or insurance burden such ceremonies involving sitting elected officials or their immediate family members, such as a spouse or child. Our elected officials sacrifice substantially for their public service commitments to the Town of Juno Beach, including taking precious time away from loved one's to support and advance community well-being, sometimes also sharing the stress of being a public figure with their family members. As such, the waiver of fees, charges, and insurance requirements for the requested purpose constitutes a worthy public purpose through acknowledgement of the sacrifice made by elected officials serving the community, while also honoring military service.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the proposed resolution.