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Thank you for visiting with me on the phone today. As I stated during our conversation, a group of veterans and I would like to request that the police jury consider waiving the Lincoln Parish Park entrance fee to Lincoln parish veterans who produce adequate documentation that they have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

Last year the state legislature made a provision for veterans to have a notation entered on their state ID or driver's license indicating honorable service upon presenting a form DD214 attesting an honorable discharge. This could be used by the park staff to determine veteran status or in the absence of this a copy of the Veterans DD214. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries allows a special 5 day deer season for Louisiana veterans who can produce a DD214 indicating honorable service.

I don't believe this would have a significant impact on the park revenue due to the dwindling number of veterans in the parish and the fact that many WW2, Korea and Vietnam veterans are reaching the age where they are no longer able to take advantage of the park facilities.

I was told, but have not been able to verify, that legislation was introduced in the state legislature this year that exempts Louisiana veterans from state park entrance fees.

We are only requesting that entrance fees be waived, not any other fees.

The park is something we should all take pride in but for some the entrance fee does limit the frequency they can use the facilities.

Thank you for considering this petition. We appreciate the work you do to make Lincoln Parish a truly great place to live.

With best regards,
Rodney Johnson