



October 8, 2026

Dear Members of Livingston County Board of Commissioners,

I am writing to offer my full support for the reappointments of **Robert Stants** (current **Chair**) and **Joseph Riker** (current **Vice-Chair**) to the **Livingston County Veteran Services Committee**. Their current terms conclude on December 31, 2026, and I strongly endorse their continued service for the upcoming term spanning January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2030.

The purpose of this letter is to recognize their outstanding qualifications, meaningful contributions, and the invaluable representation they provide on behalf of Livingston County's veterans and their families.

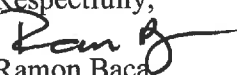
Since my arrival in the summer of 2022, I have had the privilege of working with eight different committee members. The exceptional chemistry of the current committee is unmatched, and much of our positive organizational climate is a direct result of the leadership demonstrated by Mr. Stants and Mr. Riker. Their energy, dedication, and genuine passion for serving veterans permeate throughout our department, inspiring our staff as we support our most cherished population every day.

Under their leadership and guidance, our department has consistently been recognized as one of the top Veteran Services offices in the state. This recognition is reinforced through countless positive Google reviews, employee commendations, and the successful implementation of effective standard operating procedures – leading to reduced appointment wait times and a growing number of veterans from other counties seeking our services. Furthermore, their community outreach and advocacy efforts played a significant role in the recent millage passing with overwhelming support at 73% – an extraordinary demonstration of public trust.

These accomplishments speak not only to the committee's strong performance but also to the credibility, dedication, and strategic leadership that Mr. Stants and Mr. Riker bring to their roles. Their continued service is essential to maintaining the momentum our department has achieved and to ensuring the highest level of care for our veterans and their families.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please feel free to contact me directly. I am happy to provide additional information or clarification.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our veteran community.

Respectfully,


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