2025 VETERAN OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

MOLLY A. BOARDMAN

It is an honor to nominate Molly A. Boardman, an Army veteran, for the honor of being selected as the 2025 Veteran of the Year by the Manatee County Veterans Council.

Over the past several years, she has excelled in a variety of roles for various organizations. Her attitude has been that of a leader and a team player, contributing significantly for the greater good, all in a volunteer capacity.

She is held in high regard by all, respected for her talent and skills and ability to get things done. A natural leader, she is a tremendous asset to any organization. Her passion for American History and the need to remember it is unrivaled.

A list of her involvement/accomplishments follows:

- a. Women's Veterans of the Sun Coast: Founding member and historian; designed logo.
- b. Osceola Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution: Chairperson of various committees; organized Chapter's participation for multiple charitable "drives/donations"; participates in Wreaths Across America; and educates kids in American Revolutionary War history.
- c. Created Commemorative Events/Displays: Award winning (1st in State/2d in nation) 50th Anniversary of Vietnam War; Army's 250th Birthday; 75th Anniversary of Korean War; Battle of Lexington and Concord; Veterans Day; Manatee County Libraries.
- d. Manatee County Commission: Authored the Proclamation used to promote "PTSD Awareness Month".
- e. Manatee County Veterans Council: Serving as Secretary for three years; meticulously recording each meeting; her written narratives have been the best I've seen in almost 20 years of my association with the Council.

She is a loyal and tireless co-worker and a true friend. She is most highly deserving of this recognition as the 2025 Manatee County Veteran of the Year.

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