

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2024 - 17**

RESOLUTION NO. 47-2024

Title of Resolution: Appointment—Commission on Veterans Affairs

Synopsis: A Resolution to confirm the appointment by the County Executive of Jo Anne Luglio Bierly, John Brerkeridge, Jackie Gregory, Raymond Conger, John Stricklett, Dennis Miller, and David Simpler to the Cecil County Commission on Veterans Affairs for a term to expire October 1, 2027.

Introduced by: Council President at the request of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: September 17, 2024

Scheduled for consideration on: October 1, 2024

By: _____
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by September 17, 2024 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the County Council of Cecil County having been scheduled on October 1, 2024.

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1 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 16, Article VI shall: (1) Create the Commission on Veterans Affairs;
2 (2) establish the membership; (3) outline the duties and responsibilities; (4) staff and meeting
3 compensation (5 adoption of regulation; (6) establish an Annual report and; (7) outline the advocacy of
4 the Commission, and

5 **WHEREAS**, Cecil County, shall establish a Commission on Veteran Affairs to further assist our
6 veterans in Chapter 16 Boards, Committee and Commissions, Article VI; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Board will perform outreach and assistance to our veterans to ensure they are
8 receiving the full extent of benefits available to them from the local, State and Federal government, as
9 well as any profit or non-profit organization created to assist veterans; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Board consists of nine (9) voting members, which include two (2) members of the
11 County Council; four (4) members who are veterans and shall be a member of any bona-fide and
12 nationally recognized Veterans’ group such as, but not limited to, the following:

- 13 (A) Veterans of Foreign Wars;
- 14 (B) Women’s Army Corps Veterans Association;
- 15 (C) American Legion;
- 16 (D) Military Order of the Purple Heart;

17 and three (3) members of the general public that have experience in veterans affairs; and four (4) non-
18 voting Ex-Officio members that include the Garrison Commander of Aberdeen Proving Grounds, or the
19 Commander’s Designee, a representative from the Cecil County Health Department or the Cecil County
20 Community College familiar with Veterans’ educational and health issues, a representative from the Cecil
21 County Chamber of Commerce, and a representative from the Susquehanna Workforce Network; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Article 4, Section 412 (b) of the Charter of Cecil County provides, except as provided in
23 Section 412(c) or prescribed by State law or other provisions, that the County Executive shall appoint all
24 members of boards and commissions, subject to confirmation by the Council; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Commission shall continue to serve until their reappointment or until the
26 successors are appointed; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the Commission vacancies, except those at the expiration of a term, shall be filled in
28 the same manner as the original appointments and for the unexpired term; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is recommending the following members to the Commission on
30 Veterans Affairs for a three (3) year term, which is to expire on October 1, 2027,

31 David Simpler, Dennis Miller, Raymond Conger, John Stricklett, who are Veterans and are
32 members of a bona-fide and nationally recognized Veterans’ Group and Jo Anne Luglio Bierly, John
33 Berkeridge, and Jackie Gregory, representing the General Public who have experience in veterans affairs.

34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
35 **MARYLAND,** confirms the appointment by the County Executive of David Simpler, Dennis Miller, Raymond
36 Conger, John Stricklett, Jo Anne Luglio Bierly, John Berkeridge, and Jackie Gregory for appointment to the
37 Commission on Veterans Affairs for a three (3) year term, which is to expire on October 1, 2027.

38 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,** that
39 this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by the County Council of Cecil County,
40 Maryland.

INTRODUCED: September 17, 2024

ADOPTED:

President of the Council

ATTEST:

Council Manager