



## LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Scott Morgan, Interim City Manager

**THRU:** City Manager's Office

**DATE:** March 6, 2025

**RE:** Consideration of City Council Flag Program nominee, Lyndsay Gray. (Mayor Medina)

### **SUMMARY:**

The approval criteria for the City Council Flag Program was established at the July 7, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. The program allows for each member of Council to nominate up to three (3) individuals from the stated categories of first responders, military personnel, veterans, and those that have served and lived in the community. The nomination could be active, retired, or deceased individuals. The flag will be raised at City Hall and flown for one day or less. At the end of the time, the flag will be lowered, folded, and be given to the individual or family members along with a certificate with the dates that the flag was raised. This Program will run once a year and will be reviewed and considered annually. All flags purchased must be made in America.

All nominees will be submitted for consideration to the City Council for a vote at a Regular Council meeting.

Mayor Medina has nominated Ms. Lyndsay Gray to be a recipient of the Flag Program. Ms. Gray is submitted under the category of Veteran, which is further defined as: nominee shall be a veteran as defined under Title 38 U.S.C 101 (2), an individual who served in the active military, naval, air, or space service, and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable. DD Form 214 shall be provided for proof of veteran status. Staff has received and reviewed the DD Form 214 and confirmed veteran status and honorable discharge. Sergeant Lyndsay Gray served in the U.S. Army for 11 years. She completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, then attended Phase I of Radiology Specialist training at Fort Sam Houston, followed by Phase II at Fort Leonard Wood, where she graduated.

Sergeant Gray's first duty assignment was at the original Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where she served as a Radiology Technologist. In addition to her clinical duties, she was the student coordinator for all incoming Phase II Radiology Technologists, achieving a 100% pass rate for

those who completed the program. She also held the position of Mammography Supervisor. As a junior enlisted soldier (E-4), she was selected as cadre at Fort Bragg for the Combat Medical Badge course.

Sergeant Gray was promoted to Sergeant (E-5) in July 2010, the same year she earned her bachelor's degree in Radiographic Sciences. In December 2010, she deployed to Afghanistan with the 115th Combat Support Hospital (CSH) out of Fort Polk, LA. She spent the first six months of her deployment at Camp Dwyer in the Helmand Province, serving as a Radiology Technologist. Midway through her tour, she was reassigned to Shindand Air Force Base, RCT West, where she was the sole Radiology Technologist. During her time at Shindand, Sergeant Gray demonstrated strong leadership by organizing multiple events, including the September 11 Memorial, the Army Ten-Miler, and a Mud Run. Additionally, she spearheaded the Combat Lifesaver Course, training over 200 soldiers and coalition forces in essential battlefield first aid skills.

Following her deployment, Sergeant Gray was stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, during the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process that transitioned Walter Reed Army Medical Center. At Fort Belvoir, she initially served as the S-1 NCO for the Company Commander and First Sergeant. She later returned to radiology, where she managed the Mammography Clinic and successfully led its transition from film-based imaging to a fully digital system—all while maintaining a full patient workload.

Sergeant Gray's leadership and expertise led to her appointment as the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC) and later the Assistant NCOIC (ANCOIC) of the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Clinic. Due to departmental restructuring, she transitioned to the role of Training NCO for the Radiology Department. After sustaining an injury during basic training that eventually took its toll, Sergeant Gray was medically retired from service in July 2017.

For these reasons, Sergeant Gray is recommended for approval as a City of Palm Bay Flag Program recipient.

**REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:**

City Manager's Office

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Motion to approve Lyndsay Gray as a nominee for the City Council Flag Program.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. DD 214