

**WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-10**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT AUTHORIZING  
THE CREATION AND FUNDING OF THE WOODFORD COUNTY VETERANS'  
LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WOODFORD COUNTY  
VETERANS' COMMISSION, THE WOODFORD COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, AND  
WOODFORD COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION POST 67**

**WHEREAS,** Woodford County is home to a great number of esteemed veterans who have honorably served the United States of America, and this Fiscal Court recognizes their profound sacrifices and contributions to our nation and community; and

**WHEREAS,** the Commonwealth of Kentucky, through the Kentucky Revised Statutes, authorizes the issuance of special military and veteran-related license plates as a public means of recognizing and honoring this service; and

**WHEREAS,** a collaborative partnership has been formed between the Woodford County Fiscal Court, the Woodford County Veterans' Commission, the Woodford County Clerk's Office, and the Woodford American Legion Post 67 to establish a program to assist eligible veterans with the costs associated with these specialty license plates; and

**WHEREAS,** the Woodford American Legion Post 67 has generously offered a foundational donation of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to initiate this program, demonstrating its unwavering commitment to local veterans; and

**WHEREAS,** the Woodford County Veterans' Commission is authorized to expend funds for the benefit and welfare of Woodford County veterans, and the Fiscal Court desires to authorize the Commission to provide matching funds for this important initiative; and

**WHEREAS,** the Woodford County Clerk has agreed to administer the program by processing payments directly, ensuring an efficient and accountable process for the veteran and the county; and

**WHEREAS,** the Woodford County Fiscal Court finds that the expenditure of public funds to honor the service and sacrifice of military veterans fosters civic gratitude, promotes patriotism, and serves a clear and legitimate public purpose as contemplated by Section 177 of the Kentucky Constitution and applicable statutes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF WOODFORD COUNTY, KENTUCKY:**

**SECTION 1: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROGRAM**

The "**Woodford County Veterans' License Plate Program**" (hereinafter "the Program") is hereby established. The purpose of the Program is to defray the initial cost and specialty fees of veteran-related license plates for qualified Woodford County veterans.

**SECTION 2: PARTNER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **A. Woodford County Clerk's Office:** Shall serve as the primary administrator of the Program. The Clerk shall verify veteran eligibility, process the license plate transaction, and apply funds from the Program directly to the cost of the plate at the point of sale.
- **B. Woodford County Veterans' Commission:** Shall assist the Woodford County Treasurer to provide financial oversight for the County's portion of the funds, review all reports, and ensure the Program operates in accordance with this Resolution.
- **C. American Legion Post 67:** Shall act as the foundational community partner and initial funding partner.
- **D. Woodford County Fiscal Court:** Shall provide ultimate oversight of the Program and receive periodic reports.

**SECTION 3: FUNDING AND FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

- **A. Contribution of Funds:** American Legion Post 67 offers generous support of the Program in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) which will go toward payments to the Woodford County Clerk for veterans license plates costs and fees.
- **B. County Funding Authorization:** The Fiscal Court authorizes the Woodford County Veterans' Commission to expend its budgeted funds to pay for fifty percent (50%) of the cost of each license plate issued under this Program. The remaining fifty percent (50%) shall be paid from the funds provided by the American Legion Post 67.
- **C. Disbursement of Funds:** The County Clerk is authorized to accept funds provided by the American Legion Post 67 to cover the full cost of the license plate fee for an eligible veteran. The Clerk's internal accounting will reflect the 50/50 cost-share split between the Legion funds and the county-appropriated funds managed by the Veterans' Commission. No funds shall be paid directly to any individual veteran.

## **SECTION 4: VETERAN ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for the Program, an individual must be:

1. A resident of Woodford County.
2. A veteran with an honorable discharge, as verified by a valid DD-214, VA identification card, or other documentation deemed acceptable by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the County Clerk.

## **SECTION 5: ACCOUNTING, TRACKING, AND TRANSPARENCY**

To ensure the highest level of public trust and accountability, the following safeguards are established:

- **A. Detailed Ledger:** The County Clerk shall maintain a detailed, contemporaneous ledger for the Program, which shall include the date of the transaction, the type of veteran plate issued, the total cost, and the amount debited from funds provided for by the American Legion Post 67. For privacy, the veteran's name shall be anonymous or redacted in public reports.
- **B. Quarterly Reporting:** The County Clerk shall provide a comprehensive report to the Woodford County Veterans' Commission and the Fiscal Court on a quarterly basis. This report shall include, at a minimum:
  - The number of license plates funded during the period.
  - The total amount of funds expended.
  - The remaining balance of the Veterans' License Plate Fund.
- **C. Public Records:** All financial records, ledgers, and reports associated with this Program shall be deemed public records, subject to inspection under the Kentucky Open Records Act, KRS 61.870 et seq.

## **SECTION 6: DURATION AND SEVERABILITY**

This Program shall continue until the funds are exhausted or this Resolution is amended or rescinded by the Fiscal Court. Should any part of this Resolution be found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining sections shall continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption by the Woodford County Fiscal Court.

**ADOPTED BY THE WOODFORD COUNTY FISCAL COURT this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.**

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**JAMES KAY, Woodford County Judge/Executive**

**ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_**

**JORDAN COYLE, Woodford County Fiscal Court Clerk**