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## MEDIA ALERT –NOTICE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### NOVEMBER IS ELKS VETERANS REMEMBRANCE MONTH

Chicago, IL — October 22, 2025:

In an enduring tribute to America’s heroes, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has once again proclaimed **November as Elks Veterans Remembrance Month**. Elks National President **Bryan Klatt** encourages every Lodge and community to honor those who have worn our nation’s uniform—living out this year’s theme: **“Be the Difference”**.

“The highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them.”  
— President and proud Elk member **John F. Kennedy**

#### A Century of Commitment

For more than 157 years, the Elks have upheld a simple yet powerful promise: **“So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them.”** Through the **Elks National Veterans Service Commission, 1,837 Lodges** across the country provide vital support to veterans in need—delivering meals and clothing, funding housing for homeless veterans, hosting holiday celebrations, and offering fellowship to those who served. In the past year alone, Elks volunteers dedicated **over 800,000 hours** and contributed **more than \$56 million** in aid and services to veterans. From delivering food and hygiene kits to VA hospitals, to furnishing “Welcome Home” apartments for formerly homeless veterans, Elks remain a steadfast ally to America’s defenders.

#### Join the Elks in Service

Every November—and every month of the year—Elks Lodges stand united in gratitude and service. Americans are encouraged to participate in local Lodge activities, volunteer in veterans’ programs, or explore membership in this all-American organization. To find your nearest Lodge or learn more about the Elks’ mission, visit [www.Elks.org](http://www.Elks.org). For membership information, visit **Join.Elks.org**.

#### About the Elks

With nearly **800,000 members** nationwide, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is one of America’s largest and most active fraternal organizations—dedicated to charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity. Through service and compassion, the Elks continue to **Be the Difference** in communities across the nation.