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Ferry Thanks Military Community for Service to Nation Cape May – Lewes Ferry Offers Free Passenger Passage to Veterans on November 11

Cape May, NJ – On November 11, Cape May – Lewes Ferry will offer free passenger round trip, same day travel for Veterans and Active Military personnel with a valid ID. Military discounts are available every day year-round at the Ferry and this is the fourth year that the Delaware Bay service is offering the special free fare in honor of Veterans Day. In addition, military personnel and veterans receive a free cup of coffee or a fountain soda plus 11% off any food or retail purchases in either terminal or aboard a ferry vessel.

"The Cape May – Lewes Ferry is happy to offer our thanks to our military community for their service to our country," said Heath Gehrke, Director of Ferry Operations. "If not for our military service members, we would not enjoy the freedoms we do today."

Gehrke noted that many of the Ferry employees are veterans and reserve military from all branches of the military and the operation's homeport of Cape May is also home to the USCG training center. "The Ferry is one of the main ways that veterans and active military travel to Cape May for ceremonies and events," Gehrke said. "Veterans Day is an important holiday to us and we hope we can make the journey just a bit easier for those who have served."

According to the Veterans Administration, more than 300,000 veterans live in New Jersey while nearly 70,000 reside in Delaware – about 8% of that state's population. In Cape May County, veterans make up nearly 9% of the population, one of the highest rates in the state.

On Friday, November 11, 2022 all active military and veterans are eligible for free, round trip foot passenger travel on the Cape May – Lewes Ferry. If traveling roundtrip with a vehicle, standard rates apply with a \$11 discount. These discounted rates are valid only on November 11, 2022 and cannot be combined with other discounts or promotions. These discounted Veterans Day rates only apply on Veteran's Day while the standard military discount applies year-round. Make your reservation today by calling 800-643-3779.

About the Cape May-Lewes Ferry

Owned and operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, the Cape May – Lewes Ferry is open year-round and has carried more than 43 million passengers since its inception on July 1,

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1964. As an integral transportation system connecting the communities and economies on both sides of the Delaware Bay, the Ferry service is a significant catalyst for economic growth and regional tourism activity in New Jersey and Delaware. Its operations sustain over 4,000 jobs while generating tens of millions of dollars in local taxes and hundreds of millions in regional economic activity. For schedules and rates, please visit www.CMLF.com or call 800-643-3779.