

Eileen Donoghue
City Manager

July 16, 2018

Mr. John A. MacDonald
141 John Street, Apt. 127
Lowell, MA 01852

RE: Your Resignation Letter
Dated June 14, 2018

Dear Mr. MacDonald:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your letter dated June 14, 2018, in which you resign as member of the Veterans Commission of the City of Lowell. Your resignation is hereby accepted.

I am filing your resignation and this acceptance thereof this date with the City Clerk, as required by law, and also forwarding copies as a "communication" to the City Council.

The City of Lowell appreciates your service as a member of the Veterans Commission, and on its behalf I extend thanks.

Very truly yours,

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

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cc: City Clerk
Human Relations Manager
Veterans Commission
City Solicitor
City Auditor
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June 14, 2018

Michael Peaslee
Chairman, Lowell Veterans Commission
Lowell City Hall
375 Merrimack Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Mr. Chairman:

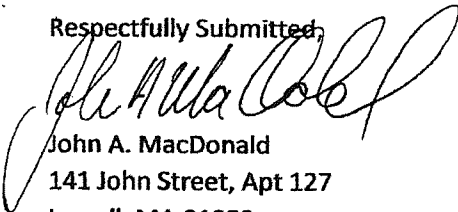
This letter is to officially notify the Lowell Veterans Commission that I will not seek nor, will I accept re-appointment as a Lowell Veterans Commissioner. I firmly believe that the future success of the Lowell Veteran's Commission is in good hands and that both fresh perspectives and new faces are important to the success of the Lowell Veterans Commission. In addition, I do not wish for any attention be drawn away from the Lowell Veterans Commissions hard work, whether it be unintentional or not, due to the current political office I am currently seeking.

The Lowell Veterans Commission was created as an official municipal government body to discuss veterans' homelessness, veterans' employment and veterans' health issues. During the last three years I had the privilege of working with incredible people who are also my fellow veterans. During my tenure the Lowell Veterans Commission created a Lowell Veterans ID card. The ID card was created so that the City of Lowell could identify how many of its residents were veterans, to notify them of potential benefits and to create awareness of the services available to them. In addition, the ID Card could be used for those veterans no longer carrying "veterans ID's" since separating from military service.

Other accomplishments included a Lowell Business program to recognize veterans, a Combat Veterans Parking space at City Hall and other veterans parking spots at other city owned properties. We also created the Walter J. Bayliss, Jr. Veteran of the Month program designed to recognize Lowell veterans that not only served their country but served the City of Lowell's community. There are other endeavors, but what I am most proud of is that the City of Lowell became a place that recognized and appreciated its Nation's Veterans in an even bigger way than it had before. Lowell has become a veteran's city and is an example for other communities to follow.

Thank you to all my fellow commissioners... I am honored and proud to have served with you.

Respectfully Submitted,



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