



Andy Berg named Hometown Hero for the first quarter of 2020

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KENOSHA – The City of Kenosha Hometown Hero commission is pleased to announce Andy Berg is the Kenosha Hometown Hero for the First Quarter of 2020. The Kenosha Hometown Hero Commission met in April and selected the winner with the intention of honoring Berg at a meeting of the Common Council in May. However, due to the pandemic, the Common Council has been meeting virtually.

The Kenosha Hometown Hero program was created to identify and recognize as Hometown Heroes, worthy men and women who have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces for their outstanding personal achievements and the positive contributions they make to the Kenosha community. Those receiving the honor must be born in, currently reside in or have previously resided for ten years or more at any time, in the City of Kenosha.

Berg was nominated for his achievements during a 20 year military career with the U.S. Army National Guard, achieving the rank of First Sergeant and qualifying as Master Battalion Gunner. He served with the National Guard from 1999 until his retirement earlier this year. He was stationed at various bases including Fort Polk and Fort McCoy, as well as a tour in Afghanistan (2008-2009) in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Berg's awards include: Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Army Commendation medal (two awards), Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, among others.

A correctional sergeant at the Wisconsin Department of Corrections Kenosha Facility, Berg has served as County Board Supervisor for the 10th District since being elected in 2016. He is the current Vice Chair of the Human Services Committee, Chair of the Legislative Committee, and member of the Public Works Committee.

In addition to his military service, Berg has made many contributions to the community. He is involved with the Kenosha County Opioid Task Force, Kenosha County Mental Health Coalition, President of the Kenosha County Unity Coalition and Kenosha County Veterans Council. He regularly transports disabled veterans to appointments and assists with getting disabled veterans newer and better equipment. Berg coordinated a successful food drive for the pantry at Grace Lutheran Church and assisted with preparing and serving breakfast at Grace Lutheran Church. The Garden of Eatin' – a community volunteer organization he created and operates – raises produce for distribution to various local food banks. Last year they donated 600 pumpkins to two local elementary schools and provided six fully decorated Christmas trees to local single mothers. Berg is an active member of American Legion Post 21 Kenosha and Pleasant Prairie VFW Post 7308.