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Capitol to Turn Green for Veteran's Day

Lincoln— Nebraska's State Capitol will turn green for Veteran's Day as part of the "Greenlight A Vet" project.

According to the project website, "Green is a color of hope, renewal and well-being. A 'green light' is also a term commonly used to activate forward movement. The simple action of changing one light to green is intended to spark a national conversation regarding the recognition of veterans, and 'green light' them forward as valued members of our communities."

Outside lights that illuminate the State Capitol will be covered with green gels from Tuesday, Nov. 10 to Thursday, Nov. 12.

John Hilgert, Director of the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs and DHHS Director of the Division of Veterans' Homes, said the Greenlight project is a year-round observance but is especially important on Veteran's Day. He urged Nebraskans to display green lights in communities across the state, as well. "This is an opportunity to visibly show our support to and for America's heroes," he said.

Hilgert recognized Rene' Holloway, DAV Auxiliary member and wife Greg Holloway who represents the Vietnam Veterans of America on the Nebraska Veterans' Homes Board, as bringing this nationwide activity to his attention. More about the Greenlight project can be found at <http://www.greenlightavet.com/>.