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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **MAYOR DEMARIA APPOINTS JEANNE CRISTIANO TO VETERANS SERVICES OFFICER** *Cristiano becomes first female VSO*

On Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, at the City's annual Veterans' Day services, Mayor DeMaria and attendees witnessed the historic swearing in of Jeanne Cristiano as the first female Veterans Services Officer in the City of Everett.

"This appointment is one of the most important appointments I will make as mayor," states Mayor DeMaria, "I can think of no better person to serve in this position than Jeanne."

Cristiano is a veteran who enlisted in the United States Army in 1977 and served in active duty for three years and was honorably discharged at the rank of Specialist. During her service, Specialist Cristiano was stationed for 32 months abroad under the Command of United States Army Europe in Hanau, West Germany and was assigned to the 8<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Battalion. Jeanne has dedicated herself to helping others, as she has served in leadership roles in both the public and non-profit sectors.

She and her entire family are heroes. Both she and her husband John, served in the military together and her two boys, John-Michael and Nicholas have served both in Iraq and Afghanistan. Her husband and son, Nicholas, are Everett police officers. Her son John-Michael is a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and is a US Army Captain. Captain Cristiano currently serves with the First Cavalry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, and 16th Field Artillery Regiment as the commander of Bravo Battery presently stationed in Fort Hood, Texas.

Mayor DeMaria welcomed Jeanne and also thanked her for here service and her family's service to our community and country. The Mayor's hope is that this appointment will serve as proof to all young women that anything is possible.

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