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The Albany County Veteran Services Bureau is requesting approval to accept a donation of kayaks and related equipment from Robert Loya of SGT Fisher Upper Hudson Heroes.

The equipment to be accepted will be:

- 8 kayaks
- 1 kayak trailer
- 7 paddles
- 5 flotation vests
- 2 HD stabilizers

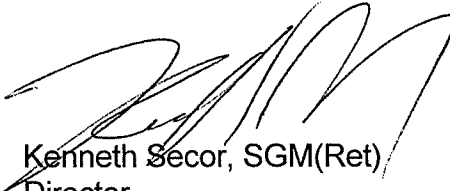
These kayaks and equipment will be used by the Albany County Veterans Peer Program to help promote mental and physical well-being among the Veterans of Albany County. Mr Loya had previously used this equipment for a non-profit that serviced Veterans and just wants it used for the same purpose.

The Peer Support Program brings United States Armed Forces Veterans, service members and their families together through Veteran-to-Veteran collaborative services, social activities, and community service, easing the transition from military to civilian life and dealing with issues related to PTSD and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).

This is a peer-based Veterans program with the following goals:

- Pursue outreach and education
- Encourage a connection among family, friends, and community
- Provide peer support
- Build resiliency among peers
- Provide access to suicide prevention/intervention initiatives; and
- Foster hope

Any questions regarding the acceptance and use of this equipment can be directed to the undersigned at 518-447-7713 or kenneth.secor@albanycountyny.gov.



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