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Railroad Military Locomotives to be on Display in Celebration of Independence Day

NORTHUMBERLAND, PA - The North Shore Railroad Company & Affiliates (NSHR) will have its two Military Units parked, for public viewing, at the Union County Veterans' 4th of July Celebration (on Saturday, June 29th, in Lewisburg, PA) and at Set the Night to Music Fireworks Celebration (on Thursday, July 4th, in Williamsport, PA).

The new paint and artwork on LVRR 9052 (Veterans Unit) and LVRR 9050 (Memorial Unit) were unveiled in May. For more than two years, NSHR worked behind the scenes to prepare the locomotives for their dedication to United States military service members – past, present, and fallen.

It was important to NSHR to make sure these units would be a clean and respectful salute that would compel anyone who saw them to stop, reflect, pay respect, and give thanks to the men and women who selflessly laid their lives on the line in service for our country.

LVRR 9052 (Veterans Unit) portrays the silhouettes of three soldiers saluting our nation's flag as a dedication to all service members past and present. This unit honors each soldier's loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage, as they have chosen to commit themselves to the defense of our nation. The "All Gave Some" written on the side of the unit helps us reflect and remember the brave men and women who gave so much for us to be here today - enjoying the freedoms we have.

LVRR 9050 (Memorial Unit) echoes the shadows of two soldiers paying respect to their fallen comrade, now remembered with a Battlefield Cross, as a dedication to all service members who have lost their lives defending this great nation. The "Some Gave All" should make you bow your head and thank those who died - fighting for our freedom. Not all soldiers make it home, a reminder that there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.

NSHR knew there were many ways the locomotives could be decorated to pay homage. However, they felt the silhouettes that each locomotive now displays, would convey the most important message they could send. So, instead of using bright colors, camouflage, or red, white, and blue, the message is depicted in the silhouettes on each unit.

When you see the Veterans Unit and Memorial Unit, please take a moment to pause, pay respect, and give thanks to our Nation's Military Members. Our respect and gratitude will never be enough for what has been so selflessly given on our behalf.

As a matter of safety, members of the public must remain on public property (at a safe distance from the railroad) and may not climb on the locomotives.

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The North Shore Railroad Company & Affiliates is celebrating its 40th Anniversary. Our mission at the North Shore Railroad Company is to be the most customer focused and safest transportation system possible, provide quality regional rail freight service to customers in Central Pennsylvania, conduct our business with the highest degree of integrity and professionalism, and be responsible civic partners with the communities we serve. Our six short lines are the Juniata Valley Railroad, the Lycoming Valley Railroad, the Nittany & Bald Eagle Railroad, the North Shore Railroad, the Shamokin Valley Railroad, and the Union County Industrial Railroad.

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