More than 2,000 turn out for annual event to benefit non-profit 9-1-1 Veterans

Farmingville, NY - On June 2nd, Brookhaven Supervisor Mark Lesko took part in the third annual Long Island MacArthur Airport (LIMA) 5K run to support 9-1-1 Veterans, a local non-profit that raises money for Long Island veterans. Supervisor Lesko was one of the more than 2,000 participants to run or walk the over three mile course on the tarmac of the Town of Islip's MacArthur Airport. During the race, numerous types of aircraft took-off and landed around them.

"It is absolutely inspiring to see such a large number of people show up to honor our nation's heroes and donate to an extraordinary cause," said Supervisor Lesko, "I thank the Town of Islip for once again hosting this incredible event, as well as Chris Delaney and everyone at 9-1-1 Veterans for their continued commitment to making sure that the men and women who carry our flag overseas get the attention they deserve here at home."

9-1-1 Veterans President Chris Delaney said, "Our Founder Steve Clark had a vision of communities taking responsibility of their veterans and on June 2nd, the Town of Islip did just that by not only raising funds but also awareness to our Long Island veterans. Team LIMA opened their community to us and hosted the most unique 5K, I believe, on Long Island. As a Long Islander and an Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran, it was an honor to be a part of such a great event."

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