

## 11 December 2024

The Honorable Ralph W. Norman, Jr. United States House of Representatives 569 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

## Dear Congressman Norman:

We thank you and your fellow members of Congress for the letter on December 10, 2024 and your interest in the Army-Navy game. The contest's 125th anniversary this year offers unique opportunities to showcase our academies, our services, and our nation's military heroes. The commemorative program is one of those ways.

Both our commands jointly reviewed content recommendations with the publisher. This process included the one-page promotion in honor of Major James Capers. Its merits speak for themselves. However, given strict page constraints and its departure from standard program materials, we opted against its inclusion. Instead, we maintained the military-themed submissions from longstanding corporate sponsors and service organization partners.

At this point, the game itself will also not offer the opportunity to properly honor Major Capers as an alternative. The in-game script, announcements, and jumbotron videos are also finalized.

If you have any further questions regarding this issue, you may contact Lieutenant Colonel Bryan Jones, USMA Commander's Action Group Director, at 845-938-3384, or Mr. Bradley Gordon, USNA Deputy Public Affairs Officer, at 410-293-1538.

Sincerely,

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