



## Wounded Warrior 2021 Coming to Town

For the tenth consecutive year, Longport's American Legion Post #469 is welcoming a Wounded Warrior to the Jersey shore for a one week all-expense-paid vacation. **U.S. Army Major Todd Berrios and his wife, Maricela (Mari)**, will be arriving in Longport from their home in Crestview, Florida (near Pensacola), on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Major Berrios is not yet fully recovered from the injuries he received from multiple gunshot wounds while stationed in Afghanistan in 2020. While they are here, Todd and Mari will be treated to dinners, shows, fishing and boating outings and other experiences made possible by Jersey shore contributors. They already know about those things. What they won't know when they arrive will be the motorcade/parade to be held



in their honor. Riding in a beautiful white limo convertible, and escorted by multiple police and firefighting vehicles, along with the American Legion Riders on their Harleys, our Wounded Warrior couple will depart Ventnor Plaza at 5:30 PM on **Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, travel down Dorset Avenue and then along Atlantic Ave to Longport. **Jersey Shore residents are encouraged to come out along the parade route by 5:30 that evening to wave and cheer for our special guests.** Bystanders will have but a brief moment to see Todd and Mari as they slowly pass by, but the image presented to them with this experience will provide warm and pleasant memories that will last a lifetime. So, please come out for the parade and bring flags or signs if you like.

Please check this site for any changes or updates if the weather is questionable...

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