General: Stolen Valor Is a Big Deal



(Patriot.Buzz) – In a major effort to underscore the importance of stolen valor, retired Air Force Brigadier General Blaine Holt criticized how Democrats underestimated the significance of this term to military veterans.

Allegations of stolen valor, like those against Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, are deeply offensive to veterans.

Holt emphasized the gravity of the issue for veterans, saying, "What I think ... is they underestimated how truly big this issue is, especially to we in the veteran community who served in two straight decades of warfare for no apparent reason – just a lot of blood and treasure gone."

He mentioned the frustration veterans feel with the country still searching for answers about the wars.

Holt found it noteworthy that the Minnesota National Guard issued a statement on Walz's military record, considering the governor is at the top of their chain of command.

"Look, it's really telling that the Minnesota Guard public affairs officer put something out to clarify that he was guilty of stolen valor, because in the hierarchy, you've got the governor of

Minnesota, of which he is being the commander in chief of the Guard, and yet, the Guard took that step," he explained.

The retired officer also commented on a 2007 interview in which Walz claimed deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Holt seemed to concur with host Higbie's assessment that Walz was not deployable at that time. "It's all there and it's just in complete black and white. That gets to the character issue," Holt noted.

Moreover, he continued discussing the seriousness of the situation, questioning Walz's suitability for high office, "So when we shift this to the seriousness of the matter, you want this guy to be No. 2 in line to the nuclear football..."

"...[a]nd yet, he's taught high school in China, has a honeymoon that was connected to the anniversary of Tiananmen Square, has a Chinese police station in his state, puts tampons in bathrooms for boys, and then was there and presided over the burning down of Minneapolis," Holt stated.

The former general criticized Walz's integrity and character. "Character, character, character. Stolen valor — is that a big shock? No, it shouldn't be. That's actually consistent with the life of a lack of integrity," he concluded.