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## **Alexander Encourages Public to Send "Holiday Mail for Heroes"**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, encourages the American public to send "Holiday Mail for Heroes" this holiday season.

The American Red Cross and Pitney Bowes Inc. have united to ensure our soldiers in the United States and around the world will receive heartfelt wishes during the holidays.

From now until Wednesday, December 10, the public is invited to send cards with a personal message of gratitude and cheer. Once received at the post office box listed below, the Red Cross and Pitney Bowes Inc. will deliver the cards to military bases and hospitals, veteran's hospitals, and other locations during this holiday season.

"This opportunity provides a great way for Americans to extend messages of well wishes and appreciation to the heroes who serve and protect our country," said Alexander.

"These brave soldiers serve selflessly to ensure our freedom, and for that I am eternally grateful," said Alexander. "I hope other Americans will join this effort so that these men and women know our deep appreciation and heartfelt gratitude this holiday season."

Holiday cards should be addressed to:

Holiday Mail for Heroes P.O. Box 5456 Capitol Heights, MD 20791-5456

Cards must be received no later than December 10. For a full list of recommended guidelines, please visit Redcross.org/holidaymail.