Oregon's Army Community Covenant December 16, 2008

The Governor of Oregon is committed to:

- Continuing the partnership between the public and private sectors to help Soldiers and their families before, during, and after deployments.
- Support legislation to recognize and honor the service and sacrifices Soldiers give on behalf
 of their state and nation.
- Identifying and advancing the interests of veterans through the Governor's Task Force on Veterans Services.

The Department of the Army, the Oregon National Guard, the Army Reserve and the State of Oregon Recognize:

- Oregonians serving in the Oregon National Guard, the U.S. Army on Active Duty, and in the Army Reserve have contributed greatly to the welfare of both our state and our nation.
- The strength of our service members from all branches comes from the strength of their families and the communities they call home.

Oregon Legislative Leaders are committed to:

- Creating veteran friendly legislation that recognizes the sacrifices and needs of service members and their families.
- Building support for service members and units within their districts.
- Ensuring service members receive employment protection.
- Removing barriers to military families in accessing state and local services and resources.

Oregon State Agencies are committed to:

- Sustaining reintegration initiatives for Soldiers as well as service members from all branches
 of the military.
- Assisting Soldiers and all veterans with employment, education, and reintegration services.
- Creating new initiatives and partnerships to expand services and support to service members and their families.
- Supporting legislation that improves services for veterans and their families.

Oregon's Community and Business Leaders are committed to:

- Understanding and respecting the unique challenges faced by all members of the Reserve components: the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve, the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve, the Navy Reserve, the Marine Corps Reserve, and the Coast Guard Reserve.
- Supporting private and public sector initiatives that offer employment assistance and opportunities for veterans.
- Working with sanctioned organizations to protect the rights of service members and the interests of businesses within the framework state and federal laws.

Family Programs:

- Sustaining and improving Family Assistance Centers for families from all military services.
- Expanding services to assist Wounded Warriors and Families in transitioning back to society.
- Providing support and cooperation to inter-organizational activities that assist Soldiers and their families throughout the deployment cycle.

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