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ROLLING THUNDER® XXI

“RIDE FOR FREEDOM” pays homage to the Nation’s veterans, particularly those still Prisoners of War/Missing in Action from all wars.

Sunday, May 25, 2008

- 8:00 am** Assemble North Pentagon parking lot for the “Ride For Freedom” Demonstration
- Noon** “Ride For Freedom” leaves Pentagon over Memorial Bridge to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

REFLECTING POOL PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Michael DePaulo, Rolling Thunder National

1:00 pm Musical Tribute: Gordon Painter–Rolling Thunder National & Paulette Carlson–Rolling Thunder Tennessee 1

1:30 pm Cage Presentation: Rolling Thunder North Carolina 5

Color Guard Presentations: Rolling Thunder Virginia 3 and Rolling Thunder National

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Gary Scheffmeyer, President, Rolling Thunder National

National Anthem: Sung by Jane Sutton & Jessie Hansley, Rolling Thunder North Carolina 5

Retire Color Guard

1:40 pm Performance by: Lock Rannoch Pipe & Drum Band

2:00 pm Invocation: Chaplain Tom Ransdell, Rolling Thunder Indiana 1

Mission Statement: Mike Cobb, Chairman of the Board, Rolling Thunder National

Welcome: Sgt. Artie Muller, Founder/Executive Director, Rolling Thunder National

Speaker: John Amos, star of ABC’s “Men in Trees,” actor, U.S. Coast Guard veteran, and veterans activist; reading Gen. Colin Powell’s “A Letter to a Soldier.”

Speaker: Judi Tapper, Gold Star Mother – Navy Seal David Tapper – KIA Afghanistan

Speaker: Dolores Alford, Co-Director, National Alliance of Families

Musical Tribute: “50,000 Names” – sung by Gordon Painter

Speaker: Carolyn & Keith Maupin, Parents of former POW/MIA SSgt. Matt Maupin – Remains Identified 3/29/08

Speaker: Families of POWs from Iraqi War: Mick Fouty & Hilary Meunier, parents of Pvt. Byron Fouty. Andy Jimenez and Maria del Rosario Duran parents of Sgt. Alex Jimenez

Speaker: Mary Ann Reitano, POW/MIA activist and cousin of MSgt. Gregory Harris, USMC, MIA June 12, 1966

Speaker: Johnnie Webb, Deputy Commander for External Relations, Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command

Speaker: Nikki Mendicino, Veterans Advocate

Keynote Speaker: - Bill Hendon, former U.S. Rep. (R-NC) co-author of “An Enormous Crime”

Benediction: Chaplain Tom Ransdell, Rolling Thunder Indiana 1

MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

The Vetz, Gordon Painter – Rolling Thunder National, Paulette Carlson – Rolling Thunder Tennessee 1.

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