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MOAA and WWP host 2015 Warrior-Family

## Chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to Speak

Alexandria, Va. — On Wednesday, Sept. 9, the 2015 Warrior-Family Symposium (WFS), cosponsored by the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) and Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP), will be held in Washington. During the event, "Our Nation's Military: Caring For Our Own," expert panelists will lead interactive discussions on the responsibilities and commitments of individuals, government and nongovernment organizations and the nation at large to improve the overall mental wellness of the nation's military and veteran community.

Sen. Johnny Isakson of Georgia, chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, will join Robert A. McDonald, secretary of Veterans Affairs, as distinguished speakers. Cami McCormick, CBS News correspondent, will be the afternoon special guest speaker.

"It's our job to take care of our veterans when they return home, and that includes making sure they have access to the mental health care that they need," said Isakson. "Improving mental health services for veterans is one of my top priorities as chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and I look forward to addressing the Warrior-Family Symposium on the importance of this issue."

WHAT: The 2015 Warrior-Family Symposium (WFS)

WHEN: Wednesday, Sept. 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. (registration opens at 7:30 a.m.)

WHERE: Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C.

1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20004. Phone: (202) 312-1300

**WHO:**The <u>Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)</u> and <u>Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP)</u>. USAA is the executive sponsor of the event. UnitedHealth

Group and Health Net are platinum sponsors, and Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman are gold sponsors.

The morning and afternoon panels are

- Connecting for Prevention: Impacting Mental Wellness (moderated by Patrick J. Murphy, partner, Fox Rothschild;; anchor, MSNBC show "Taking the Hill";; former U.S. representative;; U.S. Army veteran and undersecretary of the Army nominee) and
- Transitioning Nation: Our Response on Mental Wellness (moderated by Tracie Potts, national affiliate correspondent, NBC News/NBC News Channel). Following each panel, industry experts will join audience members for an interactive, in-depth dialogue. Panelists and speaker biographies can be viewed at <a href="http://bit.ly/10oriaF">http://bit.ly/10oriaF</a>.

To register and view the complete event agenda with a full panel and speaker list, please visit <a href="https://www.moaa.org/wfs2015">www.moaa.org/wfs2015</a>. Registration is free and includes lunch.

Follow the discussion on Twitter with #WFS2015.

**MEDIA NOTE:** All media attendees interested in covering the event can register by emailing <u>pr@moaa.org</u>;; include your name, outlet, email and phone number. There will be a media check-in at the event. Please have credentials. Speakers, panelists and MOAA staff will be available for interviews.

## **About MOAA:**

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. With more than 380,000 members — active duty, former, retired, and National Guard and Reserve officers from all seven uniformed services and their spouses and surviving spouses — it is a powerful force speaking for a strong national defense and represents the interests of military officers and their families at every stage of their careers. For those who are not eligible to join MOAA, Voices for America's Troops is a nonprofit MOAA affiliate that supports a strong national defense. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.moaa.org">www.moaa.org</a>.

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## **About Wounded Warrior Project:**

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP's purpose is to raise awareness and to enlist the public's aid for the needs of injured service members; to help injured servicemen and women aid and assist each other;; and to provide unique, direct programs and services to meet their needs. WWP is a national nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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