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Wounded Warrior Project Soldier Ride Comes to Washington April 4 - 7

WASHINGTON, April 4, 2017 / PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The capital of the United States will host Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP) Soldier Ride<sup>®</sup> as a group of our nation's heroes begins a journey toward recovery alongside their fellow warriors. President Donald Trump will honor wounded veterans served by WWP at the White House on April 6 during a special ceremony. This segment of the event continues a proud tradition among United States presidents that began in 2008 with President George W. Bush and continued through 2016 with President Barack Obama.

"For over a decade, Wounded Warrior Project has worked with our nation's leaders to improve the lives of wounded veterans and connect them with services that will empower them to live their lives on their own terms," said WWP CEO Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Mike Linnington. "I am excited that the warriors we serve will have the chance to ride through our nation's capital and be hosted by the president at the White House. It's a tremendous honor, and we're incredibly grateful for the opportunity to continue this amazing tradition."

In addition to WWP, several veterans service organizations including Team Rubicon; The Mission Continues; and Team Red, White, & Blue will be at the ceremony.

Throughout the course of three days and 31 miles, participants will discover Soldier Ride is more than a cycling event – it is a chance to heal their bodies and minds. In a <u>WWP survey</u> of the injured warriors it serves, more than half of survey respondents (51.7 percent) talked with fellow veterans to address their mental health issues, and 29.6 percent expressed physical activity helps. Programs like this highlight the importance of managing mental health through physical activity and connecting with other veterans.

To learn more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit <a href="https://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/">https://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/</a>.

## **About Soldier Ride**

Soldier Ride<sup>®</sup> is a Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP) physical health & wellness program that empowers wounded veterans to become well-adjusted in body, receiving the care they need to maximize rehabilitation and live active and healthy lives. Read more at woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/soldier-ride.

## **About Wounded Warrior Project**

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