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Military Appreciation Month 2024 Observance

May is National Military Appreciation Month. It's a special time for those in and out of the military to honor and recognize the contributions, sacrifices, and service of the members of the armed forces, past and present. In the same month, on the 27th day, we observe Memorial Day, a national holiday where we remember the sacrifice and service of those who gave all of themselves so that we could live freely.

In 1999, Congress designated May as National Military Appreciation Month to ensure that the nation was given the chance to publicly show their appreciation for troops past and present. It serves as a reminder of the profound contributions made by service members. This month plays a crucial role in fostering awareness and understanding of the challenges that are faced by the military community. It provides a platform for education and dialogue about the experiences of service members, veterans, and their families. Each year, since 1999, the President makes a proclamation reminding Americans of the important roles that the United States Armed Forces have played in the history and development of our country.

You may be wondering, "Why choose the month of May to celebrate and honor our Armed Forces?" The month of May was chosen because it has many individual days marked to note our military's achievements. Some of these days include: Loyalty Day (May 1) which is a recognition of America's loyalty, Victory in Europe or VE Day (May 8) which commemorates the end of WWII in Europe, Armed Forces Day (third Saturday in May) which pays tribute to the men and women who are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces, and Memorial Day (last Monday of May) honoring those who died while serving in the military.

This #MilitaryAppreciationMonth, we stand alongside SourceAmerica and Military.com in acknowledging the significant contributions made by military veterans to both our society and economy. The number of veterans with disabilities exceeds the population of Los Angeles. At WRC, we take pride in hiring individuals with disabilities, including veterans, as we believe that inclusion is not just beneficial but essential for creating a more diverse and inclusive world. Through the AbilityOne Program, WRC is honored to be among the 450 nonprofits offering job opportunities to active duty and retired military personnel. Let's remember and honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation, expressing gratitude for their service this month and every month.