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PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR 4TH ANNUAL 9-11 FREEDOM WALK

WHAT:

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library (www.reaganlibrary.com) is joining forces with MilitaryConnection.com to bring to our city the **fourth annual Simi Valley Freedom Walk** on Friday, September 11th. Please join us as we remember the victims of September 11th, and honor our troops who continue to fight for freedom.

PROGRAM:

- 4:15 p.m. Pre-program patriotic music; 1st Marine Division Band, United States Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton
- 5:00 p.m. Program begins, which includes:
- Colonel Nicholas Marano, Commanding Officer, United States Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton
 - J.R. Martinez, a wounded warrior who has since become a breakout star on *"All My Children"*
 - Bonnie Carroll, founder, Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors
 - Flyover
- 5:30 p.m. Walk begins – The 1.8 mile route will begin in the Reagan Library's courtyard and will conclude at Rancho Madera Community Park off of Wood Ranch Parkway.
- 6:00 p.m. Walk concludes. Light refreshments will be offered and Air National Guard Band of the Southwest will provide post-program musical entertainment at the park. Complementary shuttle service will return the participants to their cars at the Library.

To register, go to www.reaganfoundation.org/events and click on "9-11 Freedom Walk", or call 805-522-2977. **The first 1,000 people who register for the walk will receive a free "Freedom Walk" t-shirt and an American flag.**

Also, from September 1st through September 30th the **Reagan Library, in conjunction with "For The Troops" will be collecting donations for U.S. Soldiers** fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan in the Library's main lobby. Items must be unwrapped and in original packaging, including: packets of trail mix, peanuts, gum, hard candy and beef jerky; snacks that are not heat sensitive and will not melt in hot temperatures; individual packets of lemonade or Crystal Light for water bottles; CDs and DVDs; used video games; AA batteries; stationery; and pre-paid phone cards. Only miniature hygiene items will be accepted.

The Reagan Library and MilitaryConnection.com would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous support of this event:

Air National Guard Band of the Southwest; The American Red Cross of Ventura County; The City of Simi Valley; CocaCola Enterprises; Command Performance Catering; Custom Printing; The Flag Factory; For The Troops; The Jelly Belly Candy Company; Larry Borovay of Simi Valley; Naval Base Ventura County; All American Audio Visual; Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District; Rebecca Davey and Sequoia Middle School Choir; RoadRunner Shuttle and Limousine Service; Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise; Starbucks of Simi Valley; USMC Camp Pendleton's First Marine Division Band.

Where: The courtyard of The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, 40 Presidential Drive, Simi Valley, CA

About the America Supports You Freedom Walk

The *America Supports You Freedom Walk* was created in 2005 to establish a national tradition of remembrance of the lives lost on September 11, 2001, to renew our commitment to freedom and the values of our country, and to honor our veterans, past and present. For more information, visit www.americasupportsyoudo.com.

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