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AMVETS Because We Care Day

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SPRINGFIELD—AMVETS, the nation’s fourth largest veterans service organization will be holding a party and distributing gifts to their comrades at the Marion Veterans Affairs Medical Center on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

AMVETS Department of Illinois volunteers provide over 79,000 hours of service in FY 2008-2009 at VA Medical Centers and local communities across the State of Illinois. Based on the Independent Sector formula for calculating the value of volunteer hours, AMVETS Department of Illinois provided over \$2.7 million worth of programs helping to provide quality care for our nation’s heroes.

VAVS Representative Kathleen McMurrin said, “Because We Care Day is our way of saying thanks for their service and sacrifices made to keep this country free.”

The AMVETS Department of Illinois has been an organization of Veterans serving Veterans since 1945. Illinois AMVETS has been at the forefront of community and Veterans' service for the State of Illinois. Our goal is to improve the lives of our nation’s Veterans and the communities they live in. For more information about the Illinois AMVETS, please visit www.ilamvets.org.

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