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NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT CHIEF SIGNS STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE

Northglenn/Broomfield, CO— Fire Chief Joseph A. Bruce signed Statements of Support for the National Guard and Reserve on Tuesday, August 17 after a receiving unanimous support from the Fire District Board.

North Metro Fire Rescue District joins with thousands of America’s employers in pledging:

- To fully recognize, honor and enforce the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-Employment Rights Act (USERRA).
- To assure their managers and supervisors will have the tools they need to effectively manage those employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve.
- To continually recognize and support our country’s service members and their families in peace, in crises and in war.

“This is the right thing to do and I am proud to sign on behalf of the Fire District,” said Chief Bruce. “We have had a long history of supporting our employees that make a commitment to the Guard and Reserve. The dedication and sacrifices these individuals have made for our country and local communities deserve nothing less than our support.”

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The Statement of Support is provided by the Employer Support of The Guard and Reserve (ESGR) as a way that public employers can re-affirm that their current human resources policies are leading examples of compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA.)

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) is a Department of Defense agency established in 1972. The mission of ESGR is to gain and maintain employer support for Guard and Reserve service by advocating relevant initiatives, recognizing outstanding support, increasing awareness of applicable laws, and resolving conflict between employers and service members. ESGR volunteers provide free education, consultation, and if necessary mediation for employers of Guard and Reserve employees.

As the 1.3 million members of the National Guard and Reserve continue to perform an increasing number of unique missions that require extraordinary actions on the part of everyday citizens, ESGR will continue to be the informational agency for the employers of America's citizen warriors. For more information about ESGR Employer Outreach Programs visit www.esgr.mil.

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About North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue is dedicated to your quality care. North Metro Fire Rescue provides fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and rescue services to our community. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 103,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams and Jefferson Counties.