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## Glendale Hosts the American Veterans Traveling Tribute Wall

Glendale, AZ, (March 3, 2020) – Glendale Mayor Jerry P. Weiers in partnership with the Glendale Chamber of Commerce's Military & Veterans Affairs Committee, Hospice of the Valley, Sanderson Ford, State Farm Stadium, Aloft Hotels, Gen Tech, Mecum Auto Auctions and Swire Coca-Cola will host the American Veterans Traveling Tribute wall on the Great Lawn of State Farm Stadium. The event begins Thursday, March 5 at 1 p.m. with a brief opening ceremony and remain open 24/7 until Sunday, March 8 at 3 p.m.

The AVTT presents the AVTT Traveling wall, an eighty percent scale replica version of the Viet Nam Memorial wall found in Washington D.C. This impressive replica stands at 360 foot in length with an eight-foot apex and each name currently registered on the original wall is represented.

The event is open to the public with free parking available to visitors in the south parking lot that is located just south of the State Farm Stadium's Great Lawn. The wall will remain open to the public, day and night throughout its time in Glendale. Between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 p.m., visitors will be able to access a database of names for location on the wall.

The opening ceremony will begin at 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 5 with speakers from the main sponsors of Hospice of the Valley, Sanderson Ford, Glendale Chamber of Commerce and State Farm Stadium giving brief remarks to honor America's veterans and active military members with wreaths placed by Gold Star Mothers of America to honor both our fallen soldiers as well POW/MIA.

"I am incredibly proud to work with such great organizations that helped bring this tribute to Glendale. This is a great opportunity for people to pay tribute to those who died serving our country. If you've never had an opportunity to visit the wall in Washington D.C. I would strongly encourage you to come out and visit while it is here," said Glendale Mayor Jerry P. Weiers.

The Military & Veterans Affairs Committee of the Glendale Chamber of Commerce provides recognition and assistance to our local military community, which is comprised of active duty personnel, reserve personnel, veterans and their respective spouses and families. The

committee also helps members of the Glendale Chamber of Commerce conduct more business with Luke Air Force Base and encourages businesses to hire veterans.

"The Glendale Chamber of Commerce is proud to partner in bringing this to our community while honoring the sacrifices made during the Vietnam War," said Glendale Chamber President and CEO, Robert Heidt.

The American Veterans Traveling Tribute is a veteran-owned project committed to travel the USA to honor, respect, and remember those who served, and pay specific tribute to those who gave all. Remembering, educating, and respect are the main focuses of AVTT. Honoring our nation's heroes one community at a time.

AVTT is not government sponsored or affiliated, but funded through sponsorship fees, donations, and sale of merchandise at events. AVTT is self-funded via sponsorship fees, merchandise sales, and donations. For more information or to schedule an AVTT event, visit www.americanveteranstravelingtribute.com

For additional information please visit Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers webpage or call his office at 623-930-2260, www.glendaleaz.com/mayor or State Farm Stadium's events page https://www.statefarmstadium.com/events/

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