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## Joint Task Force-National Capital Region 58th Presidential Inauguration Parade Application Deadline Extended To December 5th

WASHINGTON – Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) parade application website for the 58th Presidential Inauguration is now available to the public and will extend the application deadline until midnight Dec. 5th. The site provides detailed information regarding the application process for interested parade applicants. The Presidential Inaugural Parade will take place on Jan. 20, 2017.

The JTF-NCR 58th Presidential Inaugural Parade application can be accessed at <u>www.inauguralsupport.mdw.army.mil</u>.

All interested groups, including civic organizations, marching bands and community organizations, should complete the online application process by the extended deadline which is midnight Dec. 5th. Hardcopy material will NOT be accepted. By accessing the website, organizations will have the ability to create an account, enter required registration information, upload photos as well as video products and copies of supporting correspondence.

JTF-NCR is NOT the approving authority for parade applications. JTF-NCR will however collect, organize and submit the applications received to the approving authority which is the Presidential Inaugural Committee (PIC).

For more information, email the JTF-NCR Public Affairs Media Operations at: army.jtfncr.pao.inaugural@mail.mil or call 202-685-3161.

Members assigned to the JTF-NCR are responsible for coordinating all military ceremonial support on behalf of the Presidential Inaugural Committee and the Joint Congressional Committee on Inauguration Ceremonies. U.S. Armed Forces participation in the inauguration of the President of the United States dates back to the first inauguration ceremony held in 1789, where George Washington was escorted to Federal Hall in New York City to be sworn in and lead the nation. Secretary of Defense Ash B. Carter has authorized 820 service members from all branches of the military to be assigned to the JTF-NCR and more than 5,000 services members to provide musical elements, color guards, salute batteries and honor cordons for the presidential inauguration.

Visit www.inauguralsupport.mdw.army.mil for more information, to access a schedule of events or to submit your application for the 58th Presidential Inauguration parade. Be sure to follow https://www.facebook.com/jointtaskforceNCR/ for behind-the-scenes military preparation leading up the inauguration of the 45th President of the United States of America.