State Police Issue Traffic Advisory for Wreaths Across America Convoy

New Castle County – The Delaware State Police are issuing a traffic advisory in New Castle County for Thursday, December 16, 2021, as Wreaths Across America will be entering into Delaware from Pennsylvania.

At approximately 9:30 a.m., the convoy of trucks and support vehicles will enter Delaware on I-95 southbound from Pennsylvania and merge onto I-495. They will travel southbound on I-495 to Exit 5 and turn right at the top of the ramp onto southbound Philadelphia Pike. The convoy make its first stop at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church located at 3200 Philadelphia Pike.

The convoy will depart Holy Rosary Church at approximately 12:00 p.m. from Cathedral Avenue northbound and turn left onto Governor Printz Boulevard followed by a right onto Philadelphia Pike. The convoy will then turn onto I-495 southbound and travel to I-95 southbound where it will exit onto SR-273 westbound. It will make an immediate right onto Harmony Road and continue to SR-2 (Kirkwood Highway) and turn right. The convoy will turn onto Pike Creek Road and then make a right into Saint Mark's High School for a scheduled stop.

At approximately 1:30 p.m., the Wreaths convoy will depart Saint Mark's H.S. and go back to SR-2 where it will turn left and travel eastbound to SR-7 (Limestone Road). At SR-7, the convoy will travel southbound and merge onto SR-1. From there, it will continue southbound on SR-1 to Exit 136 (SR-299, Middletown Odessa Road) into Middletown. The convoy will make a left onto South Catherine Street and then right onto East Green Street and continue straight across Broad Street to the

Volunteer Hose Company of Middletown for a scheduled stop.

Wreaths Across America will depart the fire house at approximately 4:00 p.m. on South Scott Street by turning right out of the parking lot and then make a left turn onto West Main Street toward SR-299 (Middletown Warwick Road). At SR-299, the convoy will turn left and travel southbound to Warwick Road where it will merge onto US-301 southbound to the Maryland State Line where Maryland State Police and allied police agencies will take over the escort.

Law enforcement officers and DelDOT will be controlling the intersections along the route. Please use caution if you are traveling in the area of the convoy during the specified times.

The fleet of 18-wheelers and support vehicles will be enroute to Arlington National Cemetery, where 400,000 veterans and family members are interred. This year's wreath laying will take place on Saturday, December 18, 2021.

The mission of National Wreaths Across America Day, *To Remember, Honor and Teach*, is carried out by wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery and more than 2,500 locations across the United States, at sea, and abroad.

Delaware State Troopers escorting WAA

Departing Portland, Maine on Monday December 13, 2021

Delaware State Police, Maine State Police and New Hampshire State Police

DSP and New York State Police

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