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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Philadelphia Veterans Parade on Sunday, November 5

### *Philadelphia Honors Area Veterans*

Philadelphia, PA – October 10, 2017 – The [Philadelphia Veterans Parade](#) Inc. (PVP), a non-profit with the mission of promoting, managing and conducting an annual parade that honors the sacrifices of our Veterans in the tri-state region, is proud to announce the 2017 Veterans Parade will take place on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 12:00 pm at JFK Blvd and North 16<sup>th</sup> Street. The parade route will continue around City Hall, heading east on Market Street and end at North 5<sup>th</sup> Street for the Veterans Festival.

This year's notable attendees include The United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs, David Shulkin, Grand Marshal, Colonel Joe Marm, the only living Medal of Honor recipient from Pennsylvania, and last year's Grand Marshal, Tuskegee Airman Gene Richardson. Mayor Jim Kenney, Congressman Bob Brady and City Council President Darrell L. Clarke will also be in attendance, among several elected officials showing support for area veterans.

With more than 150 organizations involving over 3,000 participants including 34 Veteran Service Organizations, the [Third Annual Philadelphia Veteran Parade](#) will be a celebration to remember. The Veterans Festival will feature live entertainment from [Modzilla](#), [TC Riot Band](#) and [Savior Soul](#), [Midnight to Minutes](#), a beer garden featuring local craft breweries along with food trucks [Phyladelphia](#), [Say Cheese!](#), [El Guaco Loco](#) and [Happy Hour Food Cart](#) which will offer pay-as-you go tasty bites and suds. Family friendly activities include large screen TVs broadcasting the Eagles game, a rock-climbing wall, face painting, balloon artists and more.

"It's an honor to work with this community to bring this event to the City of Philadelphia for the third year with Comcast once again being the presenting sponsor," says Anthony Murphy, President of Philadelphia Veterans Parade.

Presenting sponsors for the Philadelphia Veterans Parade include Comcast, PECO, KPMG Veterans Network, Wells Fargo, Hands from the Heart Home Healthcare Services, Council for Relationships and VFW Post 5205.

"Philadelphia City Council and the Veterans Advisory Commission are pleased to once again support the Philadelphia Veterans Parade, which has attracted veterans and their loved ones from across the region," says Council President Darrell L. Clarke (5<sup>th</sup> District). "Making sure our City honors our nation's veterans with a parade has truly been an honor. This is a wonderfully unifying event that offers something for the entire family. I encourage everyone in the Greater Philadelphia region to come downtown on November 5<sup>th</sup> for our third annual Veterans Parade!"

### **About Philadelphia Veterans Parade**

Founded in 2014, Philadelphia Veterans Parade is a non-profit with the mission of promoting, managing and conducting an annual parade that honors the sacrifices of our Veterans in the tri-state region. The organization is run by a volunteer Board of Directors, Members and organizing committee. For more information on Philadelphia Veterans Parade, please visit [phillyveteransparade.org](http://phillyveteransparade.org).