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PUBLIC IS INVITED TO MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT ANTHEM VETERANS MEMORIAL

Anthem, Ariz. – The public is invited to attend the community’s annual Memorial Day ceremony, “A Day of Remembrance,” Monday, May 25 at 10 a.m. at the Anthem Veterans Memorial in Anthem Community Park, 41703 N. Gavilan Peak Pkwy.

Music will be provided by ProMusica Arizona, under the direction of Adam Stich. The event is expected to run approximately 45 minutes. Seating is limited; lawn chairs are welcome.

Presenting the keynote address is United States Marine Corps Major General James M. "Mike" Myatt (Retired). General Myatt served in command and staff positions in all three active Marine Divisions. He served two combat tours in the Republic of Vietnam. General Myatt commanded the 1st Marine Division during Operation Desert Shield and Desert storm (1990-1991). During a four-day ground war in February 1991, his division defeated seven Iraqi Army divisions in zone, seized Kuwait International Airport and liberated Kuwait City.

Presenting the POW/MIA ceremony is Anthem resident United States Air Force Colonel Thomas "Tom" Kirk (Retired). Colonel Kirk's plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire on October 28, 1967. Forced to eject, he landed in a field 28 miles outside Hanoi where he was captured by the Vietnamese Army and was held a Prisoner of War (POW) for over five years, exactly 1964 days.

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The Anthem Veterans Memorial Support Team (AVMST), an affiliate group of the Anthem Community Council (ACC) and the Daisy Mountain Veterans (an alliance of American Legion Post 128, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12031 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 128), host the Memorial Day ceremony.

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