MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, MEDCOM Major Subordinate Commands
Deputy Chiefs of Staff and Directors, OTSG/MEDCOM OneStaff

SUBJECT: Presidents Day Safety Message

1. On Presidents' Day, we honor our former Commanders-in-Chief with special pride and celebrate the rich legacies of Presidents Washington and Lincoln. These men were crucial in forming our national heritage and instrumental in making our Nation what it is today.

2. Many of you will take advantage of the long weekend to travel outside your local area or enjoy a winter vacation. Whatever you do, I ask that you manage the risks associated with your activities and look out for your Battle-Buddy — together you are twice as strong. Please remember that motor vehicle accidents remain the number one killer of our Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members. Use the Travel Risk Planning System (TRiPs) at https://safety.army.mil, a proven tool to help identify and mitigate the risks of traveling.

3. The U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website offers resources such as feature articles, posters, and videos themed on seasonal topics to enhance our accident reduction efforts. The "Ready or Not" seasonal campaign featured tool at https://safety.army.mil is an example of a great resource for our leaders to share with our team. Additionally, cold weather injury prevention tools are available at the following Public Health Center website: http://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/discond/cip/Pages/default.aspx.

4. As we set out on this holiday weekend, I want to thank all of you for your tremendous efforts in your service to our Nation. I am extremely proud of your commitment and dedication to our Soldiers and beneficiaries. Keep up the great work! We need everyone to remain safe and to apply risk management as a life skill. Enjoy your weekend. Always remain vigilant — if you see something — say something! Army Safe is Army Strong.

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Conserving the Fighting Strength!

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