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ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMEMORATES 32ND ANNIVERSARY OF OPERATION DESERT STORM CEASE FIRE

Springfield, IL -- The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs will commemorate the 32nd anniversary of the Operation Desert Storm Cease-Fire on Tuesday, February 28th at 11:30 AM in Springfield.

Operation Desert Storm began in 1991 after Iraq President Saddam Hussein ordered the invasion and occupation of Kuwait and refused commands by the United Nations Security Council to withdraw. It began with an aggressive air offensive led by the United States Air Force. 540,000 United States personnel made up the 750,000 coalition forces from countries including Britain, France, Germany, the Soviet Union, Japan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia. After 42 days, President George H.W. Bush declared a cease-fire on February 28th; most Iraqi forces in Kuwait had either surrendered or fled.

The ceremony will include a keynote address by Lt. Colonel (Ret) Renysha Brown.

What: Operation Desert Storm Cease-Fire Commemoration

When: Tuesday, February 28th, 2023; 11:30 AM

Where: Illinois State Military Museum, 1301 North MacArthur Boulevard,

Springfield

Details: All are welcome. No registration is required. For additional information, please contact Crystal Womack at 217-557-4229.