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### TEAMSTERS PROUDLY SUPPORT HELMETS TO HARDHATS INITIATIVE

#### Pentagon Ceremony Marks New Alliance to Aid Veterans

Veterans in need of jobs got a boost yesterday with the formation of a partnership between the U.S. Army Reserve and Helmets to Hardhats, a national program the Teamsters Union supports that offers job assistance and training opportunities for union jobs to veterans. The alliance was announced at a Pentagon ceremony.

“The Teamsters Union is a proud supporter of Helmets to Hardhats,” said General President Jim Hoffa. “Our brave men and women who defend our country deserve as much help as we can give them when they return from their tour of duty.”

The Army Reserve created the partnership with Helmets to Hardhats to give more veterans the opportunity to learn a skilled trade through federally approved apprenticeship programs. The partnership between them will allow employers to recruit and train qualified veterans.

Helmets to Hardhats is a national, non-profit program that connects military service members to quality career opportunities in the building and construction trades. The Teamsters Union, along with America’s 14 other building and construction trade unions and more than 80,000 employers, work with representatives from the program to connect National Guard, reservists, transitioning active duty and retired military veterans to jobs that provide family-supporting wages and benefits in the construction industry.

Also, on July 10, Teamsters Joint Council 42 in Southern California will sponsor a job fair for veterans and active military at the Joint Forces Training Base in Los Alamitos, Calif. Employer representatives will be at the fair to interview job candidates interested in construction trades work.

The Teamsters Union was founded in 1903 and represents more than 1.4 million hardworking men and women throughout the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.