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ARMY TEN-MILER NEWS RELEASE

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ARMY TEN-MILER INCREASES REGISTRATION TO 30,000

WASHINGTON, DC – The Army Ten-Miler has increased its field to 30,000 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the race. “Over the years, we have been able to incrementally increase the runner field and maintain a safe, competitive race,” commented Jim Vandak, race director. “Since the 2008 race sold out in a record 21 days we looked at the logistics and felt that we could incrementally increase participation in this year’s 25th anniversary race,” added Vandak.

Registration will open on April 1 at www.armytenmiler.com. Despite the increased runner field, the race is expected to sell out by mid-May and runners are encouraged to sign up early to assure entry. Over 700 teams are expected to compete in this year’s race and soldier teams will be allowed to pre-pay for entries again when they register their team name. Race officials also confirmed that they will use a wave start again to release runners for this year’s Army Ten-Miler to ensure a safe, competitive race.

The expanded size of the race has led to other changes as well. The free, two-day expo preceding the race will move to the DC Armory enabling twice the number of exhibitors and longer packet pick-up hours for runners. The GEICO pasta dinner on Saturday, Oct. 3 will move to a larger ballroom at the Gateway Crystal Marriott thereby adding an additional 300 seats.

Military culture is infused throughout the Army’s race beginning with the opening ceremonies which include Blackhawk flyovers and the Golden Knights parachute team; Missing Parts in Action Team (military amputee runners); soldier volunteers, and the finishers’ coins. The Army Ten-Miler provides a venue for military and civilians to compete for top awards in over 27 division and show support for all our nation’s men and women in uniform. The event will be held Oct. 4 in Washington, DC. For more information on the race and race weekend activities go to www.armytenmiler.com.



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About the Army Ten-Miler

The Army Ten-Miler is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. The 25th edition of the Army's race will take place Sunday, Oct. 4 in Washington, DC. This unique road race has both its start and finish lines at the Pentagon. Race weekend activities include a two-day race expo, fitness clinics, youth runs, post race party and HOOAH tents from Army installations around the world.

The ATM is produced U.S. Army Military District of Washington (MDW), with proceeds benefiting Army Morale, Welfare and Recreation, a comprehensive network of support and leisure services designed to enhance the lives of Soldiers and their families. The mission of the Army Ten-Miler is to promote the Army, build esprit de corps, support fitness goals, and enhance community relations. For more information about this prestigious race, visit www.armytenmiler.com.

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