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U.S. ARMY CELEBRATES 229TH BIRTHDAY

MILWAUKEE – The United States Army Recruiting Battalion Milwaukee will celebrate the 229th birthday of the United States Army. Joining us for the celebration is Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran Specialist Terrance Kingsby, a 1998 graduate of Rufus King High School in Milwaukee, who serves with the 13th Corps Support Command based out of Fort Hood, Texas.

Spec. Kingsby served from January through July 2003 in Operation Iraqi Freedom with the 61st Air Support Medical Battalion. During his time in Iraq, Spec. Kingsby performed many duties and also helped wounded Iraqi nationals get medical support.

Spec. Kingsby completed his Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, S.C. and since reporting to his unit at Fort Hood, Texas, he has been awarded three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals and three certificates of achievement in his three years of service.

There will be two celebrations. The first will take place Sunday, June 13 with the Milwaukee Brewers. Nearly 100 Army recruits from SE Wisconsin will take the Oath of Enlistment on the field during pre-game ceremonies. Spec. Kingsby will throw out the ceremonial first pitch.

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On Monday, June 14, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett and Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker will present proclamations to Milwaukee Recruiting Battalion commander Lt. Col. Andrew Frank.

The ceremony will be held at Red Arrow Park, 920 N. Water Street in Milwaukee and will begin promptly at 10 a.m. and conclude at approximately 10:45 a.m. Attendees should arrive approximately 15 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony. The public is invited to attend.

Following the proclamation ceremony, the public is invited as Mayor Barrett, County Executive Walker, Lt. Col. Frank and Spec. Kingsby cut a birthday cake in honor of the Army's 229 years of service to American freedom.

Media representatives interested in covering this event or interviewing Spec. Kingsby are encouraged to contact the Milwaukee Recruiting Battalion's public affairs office for more information at (414) 297-4596.