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Midwest Sign & Screening Printing Supply Company was Honored by Department of Defense for Extraordinary Support of Employees Who Serve in the Missouri National Guard and Reserve

North Kansas City, Missouri – The Missouri Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), an agency of the Department of Defense, announced today that all of the Staff and Mr. Ron McCullough, warehouse manager of the company in North Kansas City, was honored with a Patriot Award in recognition of extraordinary support of the employees who serve in the Missouri National Guard and Reserve.

Midwest Sign & Screen Printing Supply Company joins with thousands of American Employers who have reviewed their current human resources policies to ensure compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-Employment Rights Act Law (USERRA). Many employers provide “Above and Beyond” support with pay differential to offset the loss of wages, and extension of health care benefits which complement coverage provided by the military when their employees are mobilized.

Ron McCullough says: “Specialist Shannon Haller is a very loyal person. He is very dedicated and committed to do whatever it takes. His attitude to move forward in life encompasses his work ethic. We are proud of him. So, it is with great pleasure that Midwest Sign & Screen Printing Supply Company stands with him in support of his call to serve to protect our nation.”

SPC Shannon Haller, with USAR 473rd T.C. Det. in Belton Missouri says: “Ron is a good man and never gives me a hard time about military events. He helps me out at work and was there when I needed someone to talk to. The entire company deserves the award for allowing me to do my military mission and not worry about my job back home.” The US Army Reserve soldier, Shannon, is deployed and his father presented the award to the company for him. Mr. Haller reported that he was very pleased with the way the company has taken care of his son and was glad to present the award for Shannon.

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According to Retired Brigadier General, Tracy Bequette, ESGR Missouri Chair, “The Patriot Award was created by ESGR to publicly recognize American Employers who provide outstanding patriotic support and cooperation to their employees, who like the Minute Men before them, have answered their nation’s call to serve. Supportive employers are critical to maintaining the strength and readiness of the nation’s National Guard and Reserve units.”

As the 1.2 million members of the National Guard and Reserve continue to perform an increasing number of unique missions with America’s borders and beyond, ESGR will continue to be the resource for the employers of America’s new Minutemen. ESGR provides education, consultation, and if necessary mediation for employers of Guard and Reserve employees. More information about ESGR Employer Outreach Programs and volunteer opportunities is available at www.esgr.mil, or by calling 1-800-336-4590.



Kirk Haller (left) and Ron McCullough

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