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**Governor Bullock and BNSF Announce \$20,000 Donation to Military Family Support Organizations**

HELENA, MT- Governor Steve Bullock and BNSF Railway Foundation today announced two \$10,000 donations to Montana non-profits—the Montana Air National Guard Family Support Fund and the Big Sky Air Force Association—that provide support to military members and their families.

“When men and women volunteer to serve, they also volunteer their families,” Bullock said. “The Montana Air National Guard Family Support Fund and the Big Sky Air Force Association ensure these families have the support they need throughout the time their loved one is serving.”

“BNSF and the BNSF Railway Foundation believe it is especially important during the holiday season to express our gratitude and support for military families,” said BNSF Executive Vice President Law and Secretary Roger Nober. “The two organizations awarded grants today are important pieces to the military family support network in Montana.”

During the month of December, the BNSF Foundation will donate \$100,000 to organizations that offer support to military members and their families. BNSF has hired more than 6,000 veterans since 2005, and today veterans represent 17 percent of the BNSF workforce.

Last month, Bullock joined BNSF at the Brawl of the Wild football game, as they awarded a \$20,000 check to the Big Sky Honor Flight.

The BNSF Railway Foundation supports efforts to improve the general welfare and quality of life in communities served by BNSF. The Foundation has contributed more than \$3.5 million to charities throughout Montana since 2005.

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