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Navy League Enters Into Partnership With Naval Services FamilyLine

Organizations Join Forces to Empower and Enrich the Lives of Sea Service Spouses, Families

ARLINGTON, Va. — Today, the Navy League of the United States — a nonprofit civilian, educational and advocacy organization that supports America’s sea services: the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S.-flag Merchant Marine — announced that it has signed a memorandum of understanding, creating a new strategic partnership with Naval Services FamilyLine, a volunteer, nonprofit organization dedicated to serving naval spouses across the country and the world.

The partnership will support common sea service family objectives as well as the implementation of FamilyLine Continuum of Resources and Education (CORE) programs.

“A pillar of the Navy League’s mission is to support the families of our sea services,” said Alan Kaplan, national president of the Navy League. “The importance of the work that Naval Services FamilyLine has done to create resources for sea service spouses is undeniable, and the Navy League is proud to call them our newest partner.”

One goal of the partnership is to help expand the reach of the CORE program with the assistance of local Navy League councils.

"Our Naval Services FamilyLine team is energized about working in concert with Navy League of the United States and its local chapters to bring meaningful spouse education to sea service families," said Leanna McCollum, Naval Services FamilyLine Chairman. "We know active engagement at all levels of a spouse's career will help retention, promote a sense of personal satisfaction, and can even be tied back to national security. When family members feel well-informed and cared for, our active-duty service members are more free to focus on their mission. Navy League and FamilyLine missions are closely aligned and the partnership will ensure our CORE programming will be available to more spouses in more locations across the globe."

Both organizations will work together at the Navy League’s upcoming Maritime Gala, being held May 7 in National Harbor, Maryland. At this year’s event, which is co-located with the 2019 Sea-Air-Space exposition, Naval Services FamilyLine is heading up the event’s first-ever silent auction, with proceeds going to helping both organization’s missions.

Additionally, FamilyLine is in the process getting team leaders connected to their local Navy League councils to establish an ongoing dialogue at the grassroots level.

For more information on the Maritime Gala, visit <http://www.seaairspace.org/navy-league-maritime-gala>.

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About the Navy League of the United States

The Navy League of the United States, founded in 1902 with the support of President Theodore Roosevelt, is a nonprofit civilian, educational and advocacy organization that supports America's sea services: the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and U.S.-flag Merchant Marine. Through national and local programs, the Navy League of the United States provides a powerful voice to educate the public and Congress on the importance of our sea services to our nation's defense, well-being and economic prosperity. The Navy League provides support to our sea services personnel and their families and youth programs, such as the Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Junior ROTC and Young Marines, that expose young people to the values of our sea services. For more information, go to www.navyleague.org.

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About Naval Services FamilyLine

Naval Services FamilyLine (NSFL) is a volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to serving naval spouses across the country and the world. Its network of experienced and trained volunteer spouses mentor, consult, and guide sea services families.

FamilyLine, formerly known as Navy Wifeline Association, was established in 1965 by a group of wives who wanted to form a channel of communication for all Navy spouses. The aim was to provide a welcome and introduction to Navy life and to increase the spouses' understanding of the Navy's mission. This dedicated group established an office at the Washington Navy Yard, where it continues to exist today. These Navy wives had the foresight to see the need for spouse and family support and provided the ground work for what has developed into a world-wide family support network. For more information, go to www.nsfamilyline.org.