The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell Governor of Virginia Patrick Henry Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor 1111 East Broad Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable Walter A. Stosch, Chairman Senate Finance Committee General Assembly Building, Room 621 Capitol Square Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable Harry R. Purkey, Chairman House Appropriations Committee P.O. Box 406 General Assembly Building Richmond, Virginia 23218

Dear Governor McDonnell and Chairman Stosch and Purkey:

Attached is the Virginia Military Relief Fund (Va MFRF) 2013 Annual report required by the Code of Virginia § 44-102.2

This fund has been available since fiscal year 2006, to assist all of the Commonwealth's citizen soldiers serving in each of the reserve components. Increased awareness through Virginia National Guard Assistance Center outreach, marketing efforts and the support of the reserve component representatives serving as members of the Virginia Military Family Relief Fund Committee will enable the effective delivery of assistance to our deployed citizen-soldiers and their families.

There were 2 approved applications that were each awarded \$2,500.00 or less. Recipients were qualified as follows: 2 Afghanistan. The total amount of assistance provided is \$1,888,25 to the Virginia National Guard. Tax donations were \$50,778.71.

A new TAG Memo, application, and flyer were approved on 22 Aug 12. The new information has been distributed to all Guard/Reserve Points of Contact for Virginia. Also, an audit was completed by the U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer for Virginia on 8 Aug 12 with no findings and commending the fund custodian on her outstanding efforts maintaining the fund.

Approximately 10 Virginia Air National Guard Airmen and 24 Virginia Army National Guard Soldiers have returned this year. We anticipate decrease in the amount of grants to be submitted due to the reduced deployment cycle.

If you have questions or require additional information please contact me at (804) 236-7880.

Sincerely,

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