MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE PARTNERS IN CARE CONGREGATIONS
AND
THE DELAWARE NATIONAL GUARD

WHEREAS, the Partners in Care through their respective congregations and the Delaware National Guard recognize a need for a coordinated effort to provide faith based support to members of the Delaware National Guard (DENG).

WHEREAS, the Delaware National Guard and the Partners in Care realize that this initiative in no way endorses the establishment or requirement to participate in any religion;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties enter into the following agreement and understanding:

1. Facts: Partners in Care is a voluntary relationship between faith communities and the Delaware National Guard. The purpose of this agreement is to provide faith-based support to those members of the Delaware National Guard and their families upon request.

2. The understanding between the parties follows:

a. The congregations agree that support will be afforded to all DENG members and families equally and without discrimination or regard to their religious beliefs.

b. All religious and faith-based communities are welcome to participate in this initiative provided they consent to this agreement.

c. Partners in Care congregations and the DENG shall designate points of contact and a list of supportive services available for DENG members and their families.

d. The services provided to DENG members and families shall be free of charge and at no obligation to the participants and neither party assumes any liability on behalf of the other.

e. Partners in Care congregations will provide an agent of their respective congregation to act as a signatory to this agreement.

f. The DENG shall provide periodic training seminars related to the initiative.

4. Finally the parties agree to provide support to the extent that resources are available.

5. The managerial support and point of contact for the Partners in Care on behalf of the Adjutant General will be the JFHQ Chaplain and the staff.

6. The Agreement shall be in effect unit revoked or amended. Any amendment must be agreed to by both parties and in writing. This MOU may be revoked by either party after providing written notification to the other at least 30 days prior to the revocation effective date. Only the Religious Executive Agent and the Delaware National Guard agent can notify as to an amendment or revocation of this document. Electronic mail is acceptable amendment or revocation purposes, but the message must be acknowledged or confirmed.

Please acknowledge acceptance of this understanding beginning _____ 2008, by signing and returning one of the originals of this letter.

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