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Dear Friends of the Military Community,

The Military Affairs August 20, 2021, Committee for the Silverdale Chamber is proud of the long tradition of hosting the Kitsap Community's Military Appreciation Day. This event is very special to us and one of our favorite events to produce each year. We were fortunate to hold our event last year in March 2020, before COVID concerns. This year, as we watched COVID cases decline and our local businesses and community partners return to the "new" normal operations, we were excited to start planning this event for this September.

In recent weeks, with rising COVID cases in Kitsap County, the Washington State masking mandate, along with Naval Base Kitsap's potential transition to Health Protection Condition Charlie (HPCON C), has, unfortunately, lead our Military Affairs Committee to believe that postponement of the event to Saturday, March 26, 2022, is the responsible decision to make. Both to protect our community members and allow our Military friends and partners to participate in the event without concern.

The Silverdale Chamber Staff will be reaching out to those of you who have confirmed participation in this year's event. We sincerely appreciate your understanding of this extremely difficult decision. We hope you will be a part of this fantastic way to show appreciation to our Military and Veteran families this upcoming Spring!

Sincerely,

Tricia Reece
Committee Chair

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