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DEFENSE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZES HALIFAX REGIONAL

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (September 5, 2010)—The Employee Support for the Guard and Reserves has recognized Halifax Regional for its support of military personnel.

The Medical Center has two employees in the guard and reserves:

- Joey Butler, an operations specialist, is a Private with the Military Police unit of the NC Army National Guard.
- Jennifer Carter, RN, works in the Progressive Care Unit. She is a Senior Airman in the Air Force Reserves and has been in the reserves for seven years.

The recognition for employers such as Halifax Regional is for their support of employees who are in the guard and reserves. "We appreciate the commitment these men and women are making to protect our country." said Will Mahone, president of Halifax Regional. "We respect and honor them."

Ken Oppenheim, a retired Commander in the Naval Reserves, came to Halifax Regional recently to present a certificate in recognition of the Medical Center's support of these employees. Oppenheim is a volunteer for the employee organization.

Joining the presentation was Army Sergeant Eric Collins. Collins is with the 20^{th} Special Forces Unit in Roanoke Rapids. He has been deployed three times since the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001.

The Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve organization is part of the Defense Department. It was established in 1972 to promote cooperation and understanding between the personnel and their employers.

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About Halifax Regional

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization, Halifax Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. For more information, visit www.halifaxregional.us.