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### **Military Spouses of Michigan Selected to Represent Michigan in the Presidential Inaugural Parade**

DETROIT – The Presidential Inaugural Committee has selected the Military Spouses of Michigan from over 2,800 applicants to march in the 57<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Parade following the swearing in of President Obama and Vice President Biden on Monday, January 21, 2012.

“The talented groups chosen to participate in the Inaugural Parade reflect the spirit, values, and diversity of our great nation,” said President Obama. “Vice President Biden and I are honored to have them join us in the parade.”

“We were truly honored to learn Tuesday that the President has selected the Military Spouses of Michigan to participate in the presidential inauguration parade,” said Military Spouses of Michigan President Jocelyn Benson. “When we formed one year ago, we sought to unite and bring support to our scattered community in Michigan. Today, we are proud to be serving and supporting our spouses and family members to ensure that every milspouse in Michigan knows that they are not alone and that we have their back.”

The Inaugural Parade is organized by the Joint Task Force-Military District of Washington. All participants in the Inaugural Parade are responsible for paying their own lodging and transportation to and from Washington, D.C. Those wishing to support the Military Spouses of Michigan in their travel to and from the Parade may contribute at [www.milspousemichigan.org](http://www.milspousemichigan.org).

**Military Spouses of Michigan** is a network of military spouses, partners and family members that provides services and support to military spouses and partners in Michigan so that they are comforted by one simple promise: You are not alone. For more information visit [www.MilSpouseMichigan.org](http://www.MilSpouseMichigan.org).