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MEMORANDUM FOR All Fort Gordon Personnel

SUBJECT: Presidents' Day Holiday Safety Message

1. On 18 February, we will join the nation and honor two of America's greatest presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We honor these great men for their countless contributions to our nation and for their unparalleled influence on America. Through faith, strength of character and determination of spirit, these men brought order and unity in times of chaos and division.
2. Those of us who serve in and support the Armed Forces must continue to defend the rights and principles for which these men dedicated their lives. Our ability to accomplish our mission is diminished each time we lose a teammate to a needless accident. In the recent past, the Signal Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon have done well to minimize accidental fatalities over holiday weekends. We must continue to be vigilant and disciplined on the roadways to ensure this trend continues.
3. Many of our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Civilians will use this long holiday weekend to travel outside the local area to visit family and friends. Everyone must take the necessary precautions against possible hazards like adverse weather conditions, fatigue, speeding, vehicle failures and impaired or distracted drivers. Don't be a hazard; don't distract yourself by texting while driving. We must also be increasingly mindful of the threat posed by aggressive drivers. These drivers can present a very serious hazard as they dart in and out of traffic, speed, tailgate, run stop signs and red lights, and display rude behavior toward other drivers. When dealing with aggressive drivers, we have to exercise restraint, be courteous and follow the rules of the road. We have a responsibility to ensure our personnel are aware of these hazards as well as the risk reduction measures that are available.
4. Let us reflect and pay tribute to Presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln for their dedicated service to our nation. Each brought strength and discipline to our country during times of great difficulty and strife. I hope everyone displays the same strength and discipline – have a safe and happy weekend.

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RONALD S. PFLIEGER  
CSM, USA  
Regimental Command Sergeant Major

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LAWARREN V. PATTERSON  
Major General, USA  
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