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PRESS RELEASE

**Armed Forces Foundation Receives Award from Washington Redskins
and IBM Corporation**

Washington, D.C. - December, 2008 - The Washington Redskins and IBM Corporation honored the Armed Forces Foundation (AFF) on Sunday as a part of the Redskins' season-long program, "Operation Salute Our Troops." The award was presented at half-time of the Washington Redskins-New York Giants game and honored the contributions of the Armed Forces Foundation to wounded members of the military and their families. On hand to receive the award were Patricia Driscoll, AFF President and Executive Director, Major General Randy West (Ret, USMC), AFF Board Chairman, and seven wounded veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Gary Ambrose, IBM vice president and retired Air Force Brigadier General, presented plaques of appreciation to Ms. Driscoll and General West, and commemorative coins to the seven Soldiers and Marines.

The Washington Redskins partnered with "America Supports You," a Department of Defense program, to launch "Operation Salute Our Troops" (OSOT) as a season-long military appreciation program. OSOT highlights and honors organizations and corporations that support the troops and their families. "America Supports You" was launched in 2004 by the Department of Defense to recognize citizen support for the military and to communicate the appreciation and support to the troops at home and abroad.

In 2001 the Armed Forces Foundation (AFF) was established under the U.S. Department of Defense's military support program. AFF offers vital assistance to active-duty and retired personnel, National Guard, Reserve Components and military families as they cope with difficult circumstances. The Armed Forces Foundation is dedicated to providing comfort and solace to members of the armed forces community through financial support, career counseling, housing assistance and recreational therapy programs. The Armed Forces Foundation has been recognized by the President of the United States, the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Education and the Department of Energy for its dedication to America's Service Members. For more information on how you can help AFF carry out its mission visit www.armedforcesfoundation.org.

