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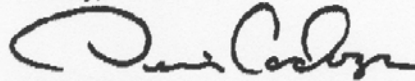
Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

I have long been a passionate advocate for our nation's military and veterans. I write to you to express my sincere support for the efforts of the Central Valley Blue Star Mothers and Families to have December declared "Hugs to our Troops Month."

As you know, the current world climate continues to bring many dangerous missions to our men and women in uniform. The conflicts in the Middle East require true sacrifices of our soldiers, including long periods away from home and family. Some of our young men and women are sacrificing with injuries, others with their lives.

Governor Schwarzenegger, I can think of no better way to show our support of those who are so honorably serving our great nation than to declare December "Hugs to our Troops Month." Our soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines continue to give all they have for our great nation. This is but one small way to show our appreciation.

Sincerely,



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