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"MIGHTY MO" ADMISSION FREE TO ALL MILITARY ON MEMORIAL DAY

Offer Extends to Reserves, Retirees, Auxiliary, and Dependents

Pearl Harbor, **HI – (May 15, 2014) –** The Battleship Missouri Memorial will honor Armed Forces members who paid the ultimate sacrifice to protect America's freedom by providing free admission to all active-duty, reserve, auxiliary, and retired U.S. military personnel and dependents on Memorial Day.

On Monday, May 26, all that is required for free admission is to present a valid military I.D. at the Ticket and Information Booth at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center or at the entrance to the Battleship Missouri Memorial for those having approved access onto Ford Island.

Michael A. Carr, President and COO of the Battleship Missouri Memorial, said, "Memorial Day is a treasured day of remembrance to honor those who served, fought, and sacrificed to preserve the freedoms we all enjoy. It is a privilege to welcome Hawaii's military ohana to the Battleship Missouri Memorial and reflect on our nation's legacy of service with family and friends."

Battleship Missouri Memorial

The Battleship Missouri Memorial is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. General admission, which includes choice of an optional tour, is \$25 per adult and \$13 per child (4-12). Military, *kamaaina* (local resident) and school group pricing is available. For information or reservations, call (toll-free) 1-877-644-4896 or visit <u>USSMissouri.org</u>.

The Battleship Missouri Memorial, located a mere ship's length from the USS Arizona Memorial, completes a historical visitor experience that begins with the "day of infamy" and the sinking of the USS Arizona in Pearl Harbor and ends with Imperial Japan's surrender aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay.

Following an astounding career that spans five decades and three wars, from World War II to the Korean conflict to the Liberation of Kuwait, the "Mighty Mo" was decommissioned and donated to the USS Missouri Memorial Association, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which operates the battleship as a historic attraction and memorial.

The Association oversees her care and preservation with the support of visitors, memberships, grants and the generosity of donors.

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Please credit image to the Battleship Missouri Memorial



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Caption: On Memorial Day, May 26, all active-duty, reserve, auxiliary, and retired U.S. military personnel and their dependents will receive free admission to the Battleship Missouri Memorial.

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