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CHARLOTTE HORNETS, BANK OF AMERICA AND FAMILY DOLLAR PROVIDE 10,000 CARE PACKAGES FOR U.S. TROOPS IN MILITARY CARE EVENT

Organizations Donate \$20,000 Each To Operation Gratitude And USO Of North Carolina; Operation Coming Home, Lennar Homes Present New Home To U.S. Marine Corps Veteran

March 8, 2016 – The Charlotte Hornets, Bank of America and Family Dollar today partnered for the third annual Military Care Event at Time Warner Cable Arena. This unique community initiative saw volunteers from each organization pack more than 10,000 care kits to be distributed to U.S. military troops overseas through the help of the military support group Operation Gratitude.

In addition to the care kits, the three organizations donated \$20,000 each to Operation Gratitude and the USO of North Carolina. Following that presentation, Operation Coming Home, a program that provides free homes to service members who were wounded in combat, and Lennar Homes partnered to provide a new custom built home to U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sergeant Kristopher De Capua. Staff Sergeant De Capua was injured in Iraq when his platoon was attacked by insurgents with 600 pounds of explosives in a suicide vehicle. At the time, Staff Sergeant De Capua was on his third deployment, following two tours in Afghanistan.

Hornets players, coaches and staff joined more than 350 volunteers from Bank of America and Family Dollar, along with military members from various bases in North Carolina, to pack care kits that included socks, toothbrushes and toothpaste, sunscreen, soap and deodorant, among other items. All products were donated courtesy of Family Dollar and their supplier partners: Unilever, AEP Industries, Bayer, Blistex, Coca-Cola, Colgate, Procter & Gamble, EdgeWell, Fleet, Hanes, Henkel, Johnson & Johnson, Kimberly-Clark and Pfizer Consumer Healthcare. In total, over 175,000 items were included in the 10,000 care kits, which will be shipped by local moving company Ballantyne & Beyond Moving in coordination with Operation Gratitude. The care kits will be delivered to U.S. troops deployed around the globe.

About Hornets Sports & Entertainment

Hornets Sports & Entertainment owns the Charlotte Hornets and operates Charlotte's Time Warner Cable Arena. The Charlotte Hornets are a member of the NBA's Southeast Division. Owned by NBA Legend Michael Jordan, the Hornets organization strives to deliver a relentless attack on the court, an unmatched experience in the stands and a positive impact throughout the community. The name of the city's original NBA team from 1988-2002, the Hornets moniker returned to Charlotte in May 2014, uniting the rich history of NBA basketball in the Carolinas. Time Warner Cable Arena is the premier destination for sports and entertainment in the Carolinas, hosting over 150 sporting events, concerts and family shows annually. For more information, please visit hornets.com.

About Bank of America's Military Support

Support for the military has been an integral part of Bank of America's culture since 1920. That support permeates every aspect of the business, from hiring to philanthropy, volunteerism, and products and services for military customers. The company has a goal to hire 10,000 veterans and members of the guard and reserve over the next several years. Dedicated to helping veterans and their spouses find jobs are a military staffing team and industry-leading career website. The company's Military Support and Assistance Group connects employees who have served in the military or family members of veterans to mentoring and networking opportunities, as well as volunteer events. Members helped the company contribute more than 40,000 volunteer hours to military organizations last year.

Since 2009, Bank of America has donated more than \$17 million to nonprofit partners serving the military. And, a tailored set of content on Bank of America's Better Money Habits platform addresses the specific challenges that

military service members face when making the transition from military to civilian life.
Bankofamerica.com/militarysupport

About Family Dollar

For more than 55 years, Family Dollar has been providing value and convenience to customers in easy-to-shop neighborhood locations. Family Dollar’s mix of name brands, and quality, private brand merchandise appeals to shoppers in more than 8,200 stores in rural and urban settings across 46 states. Helping families save on the items they need with everyday low prices creates a strong bond with customers who refer to their neighborhood store as “my Family Dollar.” Family Dollar, headquartered in Matthews, North Carolina, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dollar Tree, Inc. of Chesapeake, Virginia. For more information, please visit familydollar.com.

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