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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Dec 19, 2006

Mr. William Stien, Esq.
CRVA Charities, Inc.
815 University Avenue
Sacramento, CA 94825

Dear Mr. Stien,

Once again, you and your fine organization continue to support our military families. I wish to express my sincere appreciation for working closely with our Base Chaplain and the First Class Association of Naval Air Station, Lemoore. Your organization's donation of 400 toys to families of our deployed Sailors from Naval Air Station, Lemoore was greatly received by the kids.

As you can imagine, the sacrifices our family members make when a loved one deploys overseas is tremendous. Your support sends a clear signal to our hard working personnel that the broader community acknowledges the separation our Sailors and their families endure and appreciates their service. This signal is strongly linked to continuing positive perceptions that improve morale, especially during the holiday season. I recognize the effort that went into this campaign, and I sincerely appreciate the generous contributions to our Naval Air Station, Lemoore families.

Thank you again for the encouragement and the contributions from the local community in support of our war efforts. I am confident you will pass along my heartfelt thanks to your highly professional staff. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald P. Townsend". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

RONALD P. TOWNSEND

Thanks!