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## \*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*

## Barrow Announces 2010 Veterans Town Hall Tour Schedule

Meetings will be held in Savannah, Statesboro, Augusta, Milledgeville, Vidalia, Swainsboro, and Glennville

**Washington, D.C.** –Congressman John Barrow (GA-12) will be hosting his annual Veterans Town Hall Tour over the July 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional district work period. This is an opportunity for Congressman Barrow to meet with veterans and their families, thank them for their service, and listen to their concerns. He'll be hosting meetings on July 6, July 7, July 8, and July 9, 2010, throughout Georgia's 12<sup>th</sup> District:

Tuesday, July 6, 2010

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

American Legion Post 184 1 Legion Drive at Rowland Avenue, Thunderbolt

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Honey Bowen Building 1 Max Lockwood Drive, Statesboro

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

**10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** VFW Post 649 2430 Windsor Spring Road, Augusta

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

American Legion Post 523 430 W. Martin Luther King Drive, Milledgeville

Thursday, July 8, 2010

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The Wellness Center

101 Harris Industrial Boulevard, Vidalia

Friday, July 9, 2010

**10:30 a.m. – 12 noon** American Legion Post 103 689 Kite Highway, Swainsboro

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. VFW Post 8379 108 West Barnard Street, Glennville

Congressman Barrow is looking forward to visiting with veterans, and he's got good news to share: Since last year's meetings, he has introduced legislation that will give veterans valuable, on-the-job technical training and experience through the Army Corps of Engineers, which they can use to transition to good-paying jobs in the private sector. He's also introduced legislation to expand the Veterans Recovery Coordinator Program, which is one of the key recommendations of the Dole-Shalala Commission.

"Our nation's veterans shouldn't have to travel a long distance to meet with their Congressman, which is why I travel to meet them," said Barrow. "I hope veterans and their families will come by, learn about what I've been working on for them in Washington, and find out how my office can be helpful to them right here in Georgia."

Among many other things, Congressman Barrow's office can:

- Expedite VA claims for veterans facing foreclosures and other hardships
- Help with finding old military records
- Provide advice for handling VA claims
- Initiate Congressional Inquiries for all military branches
- Help obtain benefits for widows and other survivors of veterans
- Help with obtaining replacement medals and citations
- Help with obtaining VA approved mortgages and GI Bill benefits

All of Congressman Barrow's Veterans Town Hall Tour meetings are open to the public.

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