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PRESIDENT BUSH TO RECOGNIZE LOUISVILLE SENIOR FOR DEDICATION TO VOLUNTEER SERVICE

President George W. Bush will meet Ray Probus when he arrives in Louisville, Kentucky, on Friday, November 1st. Probus is an active volunteer with the Jefferson County Police Department's Volunteers In Police Service program.

In his State of the Union address, President Bush called on all Americans to dedicate at least two years over their lifetime to service to their communities, our country and the world. President Bush is recognizing individuals around the country who are answering the call to service and will recognize Probus as an example of the dedication to service he is hoping to instill in all Americans through his USA Freedom Corps initiative.

A native of Kentucky, Probus volunteers approximately 20 hours each week with the Jefferson County Police Department's Volunteers In Police Service program. Probus performs administrative duties for the department, including driving 130 miles each day to deliver mail and supplies to police precincts around the county. As a result of his volunteer service, police officers are able to spend more time patrolling the streets and performing other sworn police duties. Probus also volunteers with the Kentucky Baptist Disaster organization, helping victims of natural disasters return safely to their homes.

President Bush created the USA Freedom Corps office at the White House to foster an American culture of service, citizenship and responsibility. Through the USA Freedom Corps, President Bush wants to help every American answer the call to service by strengthening and expanding service opportunities to protect our homeland, support our communities and extend American compassion around the world. Interested volunteers can find information on the USA Freedom Corps at www.usafreedomcorps.gov or by calling 1-877-USA-CORPS.

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