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## Apollo Safety joins forces with Fall River Chamber to help veterans find work; kicks off campaign at Chamber after hours on Aug. 27

DATELINE: FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS

Apollo Safety, Inc. a veteran-owned, Fall River, Mass.-based company specializing in safety products and services, recently announced collaboration with the Fall River Chamber of Commerce to help local veterans find employment. The joint effort, called "Commitment to Valor—Jobs for Heroes", challenges to Fall River area business owners to commit to interviewing/hiring two or more veterans by the end of 2014.

Commitment to Valor – Jobs for Heroes is loosely based on the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's "Hiring 500,000 Heroes". The first registration drive for this campaign will be held on August 27, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at a Fall River Area Chamber of Commerce after hours at BayCoast Bank at 300 Swansea Mall, Swansea, MA.

"As Americans, I believe that we hold a civic responsibility to aid these heroes by providing job opportunities upon their return from honorable service," said John V. Carvalho III, president of Apollo Safety, Inc. "Not only is it our duty to provide re-entry opportunities for these brave men and women who fought for our freedom and liberty but provide them guidance and feedback along the way."

Adds Carvalho, "It is sometimes challenging to re-acclimate or return into a job place that is far less regimented than the military. If we look at how these fine women and men were trained to perform with such precision and detail, we can understand why someone coming into a job with far less organization is a challenge. If we embrace their experience and create the systematic organization in our businesses for them to prosper, it will benefit the entire organization and our society as a whole."

Fall River area business owners interested in taking part Commitment to Valor – Jobs for Heroes can RSVP to attend the after hours by contacting Arthur Pacheco at 508-676-8226 or <a href="mailto:apacheco@fallriverchamber.com">apacheco@fallriverchamber.com</a>. Business owners can also register online at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/pwk3wz8">http://tinyurl.com/pwk3wz8</a>.

In addition to collaborating on the Commitment to Valor – Jobs for Heroes, Apollo Safety offers a military internship program for U.S. military veterans and active members of the reserves from all four branches of the military.

The military internship opportunity lasts 90 days, with salary based on skill level and experience. After 90 days, program graduates will receive Apollo Safety's certificate and employment opportunities with the company will be considered.

To apply for the military internship program, interested parties should send a resume and cover letter to John V. Carvalho III, Apollo Safety, Inc., 57 Walnut Street, Fall River, MA 02780. Resumes and cover letters can also be e-mailed to <a href="mailto:John@apollosafety.com">John@apollosafety.com</a>.

For more information on Apollo Safety products and services, please call 800-813-5408 or visit www.apollosafety.com.

## **About Apollo Safety**

Apollo Safety has been serving the safety industry since 1995. Apollo Safety specializes in gas detection products and services for portable and stationary systems. That includes gas detector sales and support for most major brands of gas detection device manufacturers. Apollo Safety also provides service in a "state of the art" in-house service center, as well as offering on-site support with factory-trained technicians for both portable and stationary gas detection systems.

Veteran-owned, Apollo Safety, Inc. is trusted by facilities managers, building owners, landlords, universities, hotels, institutions, and government operations. Apollo Safety is a member of the National Safety Council, Massachusetts Safety Council, National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Rhode Island Fire Chiefs Association (RIAFC) and the Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts (FCAM).

Apollo Safety's corporate headquarters is located at 57 Walnut Street in Fall River, Massachusetts. For more information on Apollo Safety products and services, please call 800-813-5408 or visit <a href="https://www.apollosafety.com">www.apollosafety.com</a>