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Senator Helming Supports Toys for Tots For the Second Year in a Row

GENEVA – Senator Pam Helming today announced that she is once again partnering with Marine Corps League Memorial Day Detachment No. 468 in Clyde and the Rochester-based Marine Corps Coordinating Council to support the Toys for Tots program during this year's holiday season. Senator Helming's District Office – located at 425 Exchange St. in Geneva – will serve as a collection point for new, unwrapped toys from now until Friday, Dec. 14. These gifts will benefit children and families in need throughout the Wayne-Finger Lakes region.

"As a member of a military family and a strong supporter of our veterans and service members, I am proud to partner with Marine Corps League Memorial Day Detachment No. 468 and the Marine Corps Coordinating Council to support the wonderful Toys for Tots program. Many of us are fortunate to be able to share a happy, healthy holiday season with our families and children, but sadly, there are plenty of families in our region who cannot provide their children with the nice Christmas that every child should have. Toys for Tots helps create that magical moment on Christmas morning by giving families presents for their children. I thank the Memorial Day Detachment and the Marine Corps Coordinating Council for their partnership in this special holiday tradition," Senator Helming said.

"The Marine Corps League Toys for Tots program seeks to deliver a message of hope to less fortunate children and help them experience the joy of Christmas by gifting them with new toys that they would otherwise not receive because of their situations. We at Memorial Day Detachment have seen firsthand how the simple gesture of a special present can benefit our families and children throughout our region and leave an impact that lasts a lifetime. We thank Senator Helming not only for her support of this terrific program but also her continued support of our veterans and service members," Memorial Day Detachment No. 468 Senior Vice Commandant David Brisbane.

Senator Helming represents the 54th Senate District, which consists of Seneca and Wayne Counties, parts of Cayuga and Ontario Counties, and the towns of Lansing and Webster. For more information, please visit Senator Helming's <u>website</u>, or follow @SenatorHelming on Facebook or Twitter.