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National Convention for Veterans 13-14 May, 2009
At the Reserve Officers' Association (R.O.A.): 1 Constitution Ave. NE
Working Program Outline

Day 2 - Thursday, May 14th

- 8:30 - 9:00 Coffee, Continental Breakfast, Registration & Networking
- 9:00 - 9:15 Welcoming Remarks, Acknowledgements & Announcements
- 9:00 - 9:20 **Magna Carta for American Veterans: New Agenda for Veterans**
Brian Hampton and Two National Vets' Leaders
- 9:20 - 9:40 Panel Discussion
- 9:40 - 10:00 Q&A From Audience and Statements from Audience Representatives
- 10:00 - 10:10 Program Break
- 10:00 - 10:20 **Media Opportunity / Congressional Challenge**
"Naming Names, The Veterans' Hall of Fame
& the Veterans' Hall of Shame" Brian Hampton
- 10:20 - 10:40 **Congress AWOL for Veterans?**
Panel Discussion
Two Veteran Advocates
One Combat Veteran
One Hill Staffer
Brian Hampton and / or Committee Member
- 10:40 - 11:00 Questions, Demands, Challenges from Audience
- 11:00 - 11:10 Program Break

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- 11:10 - 11:20 **Viability of Administration Policy for Veterans?**
Speakers
White House, VA, Firebrand Nat. Vet Advocate, Hill staffers
- 11:20 - 11:40 Panel Discussion
- 11:40 - Noon Questions & Answers, Audience to Panel Members
- Noon - 12:15 Polling of the Audience:
Grades for the VA, White House and Congress
- 12:30 - 12:45 Box Lunches Picked up and Taken to Seats
- 12:45 - 1:00 **Luncheon Speakers: "What I am Fighting for in This Congress"**
Three Members of US Congress
- 1:00 - 1:20 Members Field Questions from Audience
- 1:20 - 1:30 Program Break
- 1:30 - 1:45 **Member Speaks on Homeless Veterans & Answers Questions**
- 1:45 - 2:00 **Member on Debt to Returning Iraq & Afghanistan Vets, Q & A**
- 2:00 - 2:15 **Member Speaks on Reform of VA, Q & A**
- 2:15 - 2:35 **Reform of the Department Veterans Affairs**
Panel Dust off
Five Panelists
- 2:35 - 2:50 Question & Answers
- 2:50 - 3:00 Program Break
- 3:00 - 3:30 **Making Veterans a Real Priority**
Panel Discussion
Four Firebrands
- 3:30 - 4:00 Question & Answers

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- 4:00 - 4:30 **Members Speak on Initiatives for 111th Congress**
Three Members of Congress Speak
- 4:30 - 5:00 Question & Answers
- 5:00 - 5:30 Members News Conference
- 5:30 - 5:45 Summation by COFAV
- 5:45 - 7:00 Grand Finale Cocktail Reception, Member, Speaker
And Audience Veterans' Hall of Fame Awards