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## DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS' CHAPLAIN BETTY GREEN NAMED SALVATION ARMY 2013 CHAPLAIN OF THE YEAR

(Washington D.C.) District of Columbia Department of Corrections' (DCDOC) Director Tom Faust announced today that Chaplain Betty Green has been selected by the Salvation Army as their 2013 Chaplain of the Year. This prestigious national award is given during the American Correctional Association's annual summer conference which this year is being held at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor Maryland from August 9<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>th</sup>. During the awards luncheon hosted by the Salvation Army, Chaplain Green will be honored for her vision, dedication and outstanding service in the field of corrections. "The Department of Corrections' family is incredibly proud of Chaplain Green, says Director Faust. She has a pioneering spirit and a love for the work she does both in the jail and community. We applaud the Salvation Army for the humanitarian work they do throughout the world and thank them for acknowledging the many heartfelt contributions of Chaplain Green. "

Her career with DCDOC began in 1973. She has held a number of positions throughout her tenure and with each, demonstrated a steadfast commitment to and love for the field of corrections. Chaplain Green is known by her co-workers and peers as a visionary leader who continuously strives to broaden the services and support offered offenders during incarceration and upon their release to the community. According to Director Faust, "she is credited with being one of the founders of our Linking Institutions, Neighborhoods and Community Services (LINCS) initiative which brings together representatives from faith and community-based organizations, and the public sector to form a network of pre and post release resources for the inmate population. Additionally, Chaplain Green has made major contributions to the Department's reentry programming

efforts, led the volunteer corps, and established partnerships that supported the start of another very important departmental initiative, Community Resource Day—which allows inmates preparing for community release to directly access housing, employment, education and other resources crucial to successful reintegration.

Chaplain Green also serves as Assistant to the Pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in N.E. Washington, Reverend Dr. Eugene W. James III.

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