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RE: Run for the Wall

Fountain, Colorado – On May 19th, 2018, at approximately 12:00pm, the City of Fountain will welcome over 500 riders from the Run for the Wall motorcycle event.

The Run For The Wall® was started in 1989 by James Gregory and Bill Evans, two Vietnam Veterans who traveled across the heartland of America on motorcycles. They talked to local radio, TV and newspapers about the thousands of men and women still unaccounted for from all wars.

The trip is a 10-day ride from Ontario, California, to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., where the run officially ends. During the journey across the U.S., riders make stops at memorials, Veterans' Hospitals and schools. The riders enjoy parades, escorts and "Welcome Home" receptions provided by the patriots in many host cities.

The City of Fountain will welcome the riders mid-day on Saturday and the Fountain Police Department, in conjunction with the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, will assist in the event by providing a motorized escort through El Paso County. The riders will be escorted from the Pueblo County line to Fountain Fire Station One, via I-25 and Santa Fe Ave. The City of Fountain Fire Department will be providing a luncheon for the riders once they arrive in our city. The escort will pick up again around 12:45 pm from Fountain Fire Station One onto northbound HWY 85 until eastbound Mesa Ridge Parkway. From Mesa Ridge Parkway riders will continue on northbound Powers Rd to Bradley Rd where the El Paso County Sheriff's Office will take over the escort as they continue through the county.

Fountain is proud to again host riders as they travel to Washington D.C. and encourage our citizens to come out and support the riders on their journey.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Fountain Police Department at 719-382-8555.