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**On Veterans Day we take time to celebrate the generations of patriots who dedicated themselves to the defense of our great nation. Many Soldiers, Civilians, and Families will use this holiday weekend to travel and enjoy a well-deserved fall vacation. Regardless of your destination or activity for the upcoming Veterans Day weekend, ensure safety is in the forefront of your planning.**

**Tragically, during the recent Halloween weekend, we lost two of our Soldiers to a fatal motorcycle accident. If you are a motorcycle rider, ensure you meet all operator training requirements, are licensed, wear all required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and ride defensively. For those of you planning to drive during the long weekend, please plan ahead. Always remember these safety tips:**

- Don't drink and drive. Use a designated driver if alcohol is consumed.**
- Take rest breaks to eliminate fatigue and limit distractions while driving.**
- Ensure all passengers use seat belts and children are in appropriate safety seats.**
- Allow plenty of travel time to avoid speeding and always drive defensively.**

**We value each and every Soldier and member of the 1AD and Fort Bliss team. Plan ahead, watch out for your battle buddy, and apply sound judgment and decision-making over the holiday weekend. To all those who have served and continue to serve, both in and out of uniform, thank you for continuing the legacy of America's Tank Division!**

**Iron Soldiers!**

**Danny L. Day  
Command Sergeant Major, U.S. Army  
Command Sergeant Major**

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