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## **ADVISORY**

### ***National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program Featured on “Heartbeat of America” Television Show***

**WASHINGTON, DC** – *Heartbeat of America*, a nationally broadcast television show, will feature the National Guard Youth Foundation (NGYF) tomorrow by highlighting how the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program (NGYCP) is helping solve the national high school dropout crisis by offering an alternative to the students left behind.

*Heartbeat of America* is hosted by actor William Shatner and *The Peoples Court* Doug Llewelyn and the will feature NGYF President Greg L. Sharp, two ChalleNGe program graduates, and Apprentice 2 winner and NGYF national spokesman Kelly Perdew. During the show, Shatner and Llewelyn will honor the Foundation with the “Keeping America Strong” award which recognizes “...steadfast commitment to the values, principles and spirit which make this country great.”

**WHAT:** Heartbeat of America

**WHEN:** Friday, September 8 at 9:00 a.m. EST

**WHERE:** AmericanLife Television Network

**WHO:** NGYF President Greg L. Sharp, two ChalleNGe graduates, and Kelly Perdew—winner of The Apprentice 2 and NGYF spokesman

\*Check your local cable provider for the American Life TV Network for channel listings.

## **About the National Guard Youth Foundation**

The National Guard Youth Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization formed to support the work of the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program through public awareness, scholarships, higher education assistance, mentoring and job development programs for graduates. The Foundation also works to expand the number of states and sites per state to accommodate growing demand for the program. The Honorary Board of Directors is co-chaired by President George H. W. Bush and Senator Mary Landrieu (D-La.). For more information about the National Guard Youth Foundation, please visit [www.ngyouthfoundation.org](http://www.ngyouthfoundation.org) [<http://www.ngyouthfoundation.org>](http://www.ngyouthfoundation.org).

For more information about the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program, go to [www.ngycp.org](http://www.ngycp.org) [<http://www.ngycp.org/>](http://www.ngycp.org).