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Subject of Minnesota Documentary To Be Decorated with France's Highest Honor

MINNEAPOLIS, MN—Ken Krueger of Blaine, age 86, will receive the prestigious Knight of the Legion of Honor Medal in a ceremony to be held at the Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda on February 15th, 2012 between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. This medal represents France's highest military honor typically reserved for French nationals. It is bestowed upon a select few American soldiers in recognition of and gratitude for their valorous efforts in liberating France during the Second World War. In addition to Krueger, 91-year-old Army veteran, John (Jack) Teman, of Eden Prairie will be receiving the award.

Mr. Krueger and Mr. Teman will be presented with the medals by Deputy Commissioner of the MDVA, Reggie Worldson behalf of French President Nicolas Sarkozy, the Consul General of France, Graham Paul, and the citizens of France. The National Order of the Legion of Honor was created by Napoléon Bonaparte in 1802 to acknowledge service rendered to France by persons of great merit and to celebrate their extraordinary contributions to the country. The decoration ceremony will be held as part of the annual Veterans Day on the Hill, where Minnesota veterans are encouraged to become involved in the legislative process by meeting with their legislators.

Ken Krueger served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps from 1943-1945 as a motor messenger. He was assigned to the 92nd Signal Battalion attached to the 15th Corps, frequently delivering messages to and from Patton's Third Army headquarters. He participated in the Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, and Central European Campaigns. For his courage and achievements, Ken was awarded both the Bronze Star and Good Conduct medals among several others.

Krueger is the subject of the book, *Fighting For Delphine*, published in 2008, as well as a documentary film entitled *As Promised: Return To Fénétrange*, which chronicles his journey back to a small French village to fulfill a sixty-seven-year-old promise. The Minnesota-based film is in the process of raising \$57,000 in funds to complete production. For more information about the documentary or the book, please visit: www.aspromised.net

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