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For Immediate Release

ARMY FIELD BAND TO PERFORM AT GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

The internationally acclaimed Jazz Ambassadors of Washington, D.C., will continue its long tradition of presenting free public performances when it appears at The Center for Performing Arts at Governors State University, 1 University Parkway, University Park on Tuesday, March 17 at 7 p.m. There is a limit of four tickets per household.

The Jazz Ambassadors is the official touring big band of the United States Army. Formed in 1969, this 19-member ensemble has received great acclaim at home and abroad performing America's greatest original art form, jazz.

Concerts by the Jazz Ambassadors are programmed to entertain all types of audiences. The band's diverse repertoire includes big band swing, bebop, Latin, contemporary jazz, standards, popular tunes, Dixieland, vocals, and patriotic selections, many of which are written or arranged by members of the Jazz Ambassadors.

The Jazz Ambassadors has appeared in all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Japan, India, and throughout Europe. Recent notable performances include concerts at the Toronto Jazz Festival, the Richmond Jazz Festival at Maymont, the Kennedy Center Honors, the Jazz Education Network Conference, and an appearance on the Colbert Report. Gordon Goodwin, Bobby Shew, Ernie Watts, and the Dave Brubeck All-Star Quintet are just a few of the outstanding jazz artists who have shared the stage with the Jazz Ambassadors. The band has been featured in joint concerts with Marvin Hamlisch and the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the San Diego Symphony Orchestra, the Seattle Symphony Pops, the Colorado Pops Orchestra, and the New York Pops at Carnegie Hall. The band's rigorous touring schedule and reputation for excellence has earned it the title "America's Big Band."

For additional information about the Jazz Ambassadors' performance at Governors State, please call the box office at: 708.235.2222 or visit:

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