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Dear Suzanne,

D-DAY COMMEMORATION CONCERT – 8 JUN 2019

The year 2019 will be marked by ABF The Soldiers' Charity's 75th Anniversary, which also coincides with the 75th Anniversary of the OPERATION OVERLORD. We will commemorate both occasions with our own unique Flagship Concert at the Belfast Waterfront. **'D-DAY 75 – a Musical Commemoration of Ulster's Contribution to the Normandy Landings'** will take place on Saturday 8th June 2019 at 8pm and will be a showcase of Northern Ireland's talent. The Guest of Honour will be Mrs Fionnuala Jay-O'Boyle, Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the City of Belfast. All proceeds from the show will go to help support soldiers, veterans and their families in times of need.

Notwithstanding local elections, we would like to invite Councillors and Staff from your authority to join us, as we travel back to the year 1944 in wartime Northern Ireland Garrison and hear tales of Ulster's brave soldiers as they prepare to assault Nazi occupied France, by both sea and air.

The evening, which promises to be a 'sell-out' event, will be hosted by popular News Anchor, Pamela Ballantine and will feature the Band, Bugles, Pipes and Drums of the Royal Irish Regiment, plus a number of other well-known local artistes performing popular music, songs and re-enactments from the 1940s era.

This should be a fantastic evening out. VIP Tickets are £48pp and will include top show seats, entry to a pre-show VIP reception and interval drinks and nibbles. Should your authority be able to accept, please let me know soonest and I will ensure that places are reserved and further details are sent out to you in due course. Spaces may be booked in advance for Council representation at the event and allocated later based on results of the election.

Best wishes,

David

David Forsey
Regional Director (NI)

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