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WINNERS OF BAND CONTESTS AT TODAY'S "CONNECTICUT VETERANS PARADE"

HARTFORD, CONN., November 7, 2010 – The winners of the five Band Contests at today's 2010 Connecticut Veterans Parade in Downtown Hartford have been announced. More than 25 different musical units marched in the parade, including college, high school and middle school bands, pipe and drum, and fife and drum bands. Hartford Police estimate that there were more than 40,000 spectators. A judging panel selected one winner in each of five categories. Each band receives a trophy from parade organizers.

The winners of the 2010 Connecticut Veterans Day Parade Band Awards are:

- 1) **BEST PIPE & DRUM CORPS** goes to
The Connecticut Firefighter Pipes and Drums Band (Third year in a row);
- 2) **BEST FIFE & DRUM CORPS AWARD** goes to
Westbrook Drum Corps;
- 3) **BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND** goes to
Hartford Magnet Middle School's Marching Phoenix Band;
- 4) **BEST HIGH SCHOOL BAND** goes to
Watertown High School Marching Band; AND
- 5) **BEST PARADE SPIRIT** goes to
Hartford Magnet Middle School's Marching Phoenix Band.

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