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Special Counsel Henry Kerner Statement on National Whistleblower Day

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WASHINGTON, D.C./July 30, 2018 – Special Counsel Henry J. Kerner today released the following statement in honor of National Whistleblower Day.

Special Counsel Henry J. Kerner: “At OSC we aim to serve whistleblowers daily, but today, on National Whistleblower Day, we want to take an extra moment to honor those individuals who find the courage to step forward and report wrongdoing. We truly appreciate the people who come to OSC, including those we can cite by name and those who come anonymously, because they are the front line in safeguarding our workplace rights and keeping government accountable.

“OSC is honored to be participating in the celebration of National Whistleblower Day and looks forward to continuing to work with Congress to strengthen what is already a tremendous national whistleblower program. Today we give a special thanks to whistleblowers and the whole community that supports them, as we all work together to make the federal government a shining model of efficient and effective service.”

The U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) is an independent federal investigative and prosecutorial agency. Our basic authorities come from four federal statutes: The Civil Service Reform Act, the Whistleblower Protection Act, the Hatch Act, and the Uniformed Services Employment & Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA). OSC's primary mission is to safeguard the merit system by protecting federal employees and applicants from prohibited personnel practices, especially reprisal for whistleblowing, and to serve as a safe channel for allegations of wrongdoing. For more information, please visit our website at www.osc.gov.