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Subject Vets agenda pkg

The following is submitted pursuant to request from supervisor Brigg. Please replace our prior email with this corrected copy.

Thank you,

The Friends
Rich Buchanan

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Partial List of

Organizations/Individuals That Support the Reinvigoration of the Friends per 1/12/07 Document

Organization	Branch	Representative	Title
Marine Corps League		Jim Denmark	Adjutant
Veterans Affairs Commission	District 1	Jim Denmark	Commissioner
	District 5	Bill Kerr	Commissioner
	District 3	Clement Boll	Commissioner
	District 5	Gene Ross	Commissioner
	District 2	Micheal Rupley	Commissioner
Disabled American Veterans	63 Chapter	Alan Amaro	Commander
		Sal Gigante	Member
American Legion	Post 119	Mike Muetz	Commander
		Sal Gigante	Life Member
Fleet Reserve Association	Branch 275	Dave Davidson	President
Veterans of Foreign Wars	Post 9241 Georgetown		
Veterans of Foreign Wars	Post 2680	Charlie Rose	Commander
Veterans of Foreign Wars	Post 10165	Dennis Haas	Commander
		Sal Gigante	Member
Vietnam Vets Motorcycle Club			
American Legion	Post 795 S. Lake Tahoe	Gene Ross	Commander
Peal Harbor Survivors	Hangtown 30		

Veterans of Foreign Wars	Post 2627 S. Lake Tahoe		
Legion of Valor		Richard Buchanan	Commander
Friends of the Monument		Richard Buchanan	Director
		Bill Cathcart	Director
		Jim Denmark	Director
		Ken Schoniger	Director
		Jon Hodson	Director

1/12/07 Document

PURPOSE OF FRIENDS REINVIGORATION

For more than ten years the "Friends" have been the catalyst for the creation, design, fund raising, and implementation of the Veteran's Memorial. After the dedication we breathed a big sigh of relief and started thinking about the rest of our lives. But events since Veteran's Day have indicated that our job is just beginning.

The monument has become a symbol that transcends its physical parameters. Families have scattered ashes of loved veterans there and many a tear has struck the pavement. As veterans we believe that we understand the true meaning of the memorial far better than political interests, and we have become concerned about the philosophy of political appointees who must accommodate both veterans and their bosses.

The nation's memorials are generally co-managed by government and private groups similar to the Friends and such an arrangement has worked very well for the Vietnam Memorial and others.

Accordingly the Friends is in the process of formal reconstitution and reinvigoration.

We intend to protect and enhance the concept of exclusive honor to those that served and to recognize such service consistent with the principle of the equal treatment provisions of our constitution that so many have died to defend. We will not allow the content or use of the Memorial to evolve to any other purpose, and we will work to make the Monument realize its full potential for the citizens of El Dorado County and all of those who served throughout the country.



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Subject Agenda Item on Veterans Monument for Jan 23rd

Hello:

First of all I want to say that I am no longer on the Friends of the Veterans Committee. The email you received regarding political interference by Helen Baumann regarding the use of the monument was signed universally by the Friends of the Veteran Monument without consulting with all the Friends. I do not want my name associated with this email and do not feel the same sentiment reflected in the email.

I do feel we(The Friends of the Veteran Monument when I was on the committee) had a relatively good arrangement with General Services and the Friends and appreciated everything that Supervisors Baumann and Sweeney did to get the monument built and I would hope the same kind of arrangement could continue keeping in mind that the monument is for all the people of this county not just a selected few people and that the enjoyment of its beauty and meaning may continue to remind us of the supreme sacrafices our veterans have made for our freedom.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lanny Langston
Veteran, U.S. Navy

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