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November 8, 2012

Aaron Schenck  
Deputy Secretary for Legislative Affairs  
601/602 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120



Dear Aaron:

Due to Hurricane Sandy, we had to cancel our previously scheduled underground tour and meeting for October 31<sup>st</sup>.

As you may recall at our last meeting, the general consensus of the members was to take a tour, hosted by DGS, of the underground facility, in order to have a better understanding of the challenges faced by the Committee and DGS in developing a plan to address the limited space availability of Soldier's Grove.

The conduct of this tour will also assist the Select Committee in formulating its findings and developing its recommendations to the House of Representatives. In addition, we will discuss our final developments for the report, which is due by November 30, 2012.

To that end, I have rescheduled the tour of Soldier's Grove for **Wednesday, November 14, 2012 @ 2:30 p.m.** This tour is expected to last about 30 minutes and we will all meet in front of Soldier's Grove by the flag poles to begin the tour.

I respectfully request that if any member has any ideas or recommendations they would like to bring forth, please do so at this meeting. Proposals that have been offered thus far are as follows:

- **The Medal of Honor memorial must be kept on the same sight.**  
It was resolved unanimously last meeting that the memorial must remain, and be continued, on the grounds of Soldier's Grove.
- **Continue the flow to the sides of the Grove.**  
A suggestion last meeting was to utilize the unused space available on the sides of the memorial.
- **Just before the shores of peace, begin inserting the markers in rows rather than arcs.**

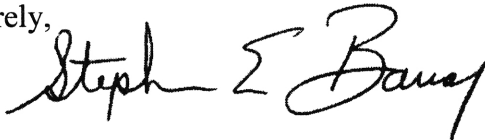
This proposal would discontinue future arcs, and begin a new scheme of placing markers consecutively in straight rows. In the current space available, this would allow for 384 additional plaques before reaching the "Shores of Peace.

- **Add pillars on the side of the memorial for future conflicts.**  
This concept would utilize the unused space on the sides of the memorial by erecting distinct pillars for future conflicts; the pillars could be extended vertically to continue the concept of time passage.
- **Continue current theme of "Tides of War" with reverse arcs.**  
This is the artists' proposal; future arcs would reach the "Shores of Peace" and reverse, intersecting and overlapping, at times, with the current arcs. There are two designs, one would add fully paved arcs, and the other would add arcs created by metal edging in the grass. (For reference: Design renderings of the reverse arcs were previously distributed via email to all committee members)

Furthermore, I plan to hold a follow up conference call some time during the week of November 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss and adopt the final report.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steph E Barrar". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen E. Barrar, Chairman  
Veterans Affairs & Emergency Preparedness Committee  
160<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

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**SELECT COMMITTEE ON SOLDIER'S GROVE  
REP. STEPHEN BARRAR, CHAIRMAN  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2012  
Room 18 East Wing**

**AGENDA**

**Meeting Called to Order**

**Roll Call**

**First Order of Business**

moved Diane McNaughton  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gillen

**Discussion**

of Report

**Second Order of Business**

motion to adopt Sainato  
Report

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**Adjournment**

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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Comptroller

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT  
Expenses for Committee Meeting/Hearing Attendance

NAME OF COMMITTEE: HR331 Select Committee

DATE OF MEETING: November 28, 2012

LOCATION (Street, City & County): 18 East Wing, Capitol

PURPOSE: Adopt final report

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I certify that the statements and expenses claimed are correct, reasonable and will be or have been incurred in the performance of Legislative Committee Duties.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

*Steph E. Bauer*  
Majority Chairman

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Chris Janata*  
Minority Chairman