



Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs

Scott Walker, Governor | Daniel J. Zimmerman, Secretary

July 10, 2018

Lisa M. Laschinger
Madison Parks Division
210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd.
RM 204
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Ms. Laschinger,

Regarding the offer of the two (2) cenotaphs noted in your letter of July 6, 2018, I have consulted with the Office of the Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, and my counterparts at the Wisconsin Historical Society (WHS). We have reached unanimity regarding the potential disposition of each object in question. The Wisconsin Veterans Museum is willing to discuss the eventual acquisition of the larger monument for its permanent collection. Neither the WVM, nor the WHS are interested in acquiring the smaller 1981-dated monument.

Before accepting the larger monument, we need to understand the particulars of the physical move from its current location in Forest Hill to the newly constructed SAPF on Thornton Avenue. That includes our assessing the load bearing capacity of WVM storage space at the aforementioned facility, prior to acceptance. Consequently, we will need to know the monument's approximate gross weight and overall dimensions. In addition, we would expect that the Parks Division would bear the cost and responsibility of the move.

We look forward to continuing the discussion. Contact me directly with your questions and concerns.

Sincerely,



Michael Tetzrow
Director

Cc: Daniel J. Zimmerman, Secretary, WDVA
Matthew Blessing, Administrator of the Division of Library-Archives, WHS