



A-7 Corsair II Association Inc.

April 18, 2017

Members of the Board:

Throughout the history of the Twentieth and Twenty First centuries, one group of individuals have risked their lives beyond the front of the battle line in enemy territory. Those, of course are our Attack and Strike Fighter pilots. The very nature of their service resulted in a disproportionate number of Prisoners of War, Killed in Action, and Missing in Action reports.

There could be no higher calling than to erect a permanent memorial to the sacrifice of our Navy pilots who gave up their life or freedom to preserve our great nation. Your proposal to build the Cecil Field Prisoners of War, Killed in Action, and Missing in Action Museum will be an outstanding addition to our system of national memorials. Bluntly, you will fill a void left wanting by other museum organizations.

With the millions of visitors to the state of Florida and more than 100,000 veterans in the area surrounding Jacksonville, you will be in an ideal position to educate our fellow citizens and the world.

We look forward to supporting your endeavor. Please keep us informed as you progress. We wish you the Navy's traditional: Fair winds and following seas.

For the A-7 Corsair II Association, Inc.,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ray K. Waddell".

Ray K. Waddell CAPT, USN Ret.

Chairman

The A-7 Corsair II Association, Inc is registered as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Contributions to the A-7 Corsair II Association are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. The A-7 Corsair II Association's tax identification number is EIN 46-1898724.