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The Honorable Senator Patty Murray
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

The Honorable Senator Maria Cantwell
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

Dear Senator Murray and Senator Cantwell,

As a member of the Korean War Veterans Association, I am requesting your support for S-1982, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance listing the names of our 36,574 Americans lost in our war. It is a 100% privately financed project that will be erected at the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington DC. An identical bill (HR-141'5) was unanimously approved in the House of Representatives in February.

The bipartisan case for S-1982 was made by Senators Cardin (MD) and Boozman (AR) in a written statement when they introduced the legislation. A few months ago copies of the statement, and other materials, were delivered to your Washington DC office - on behalf of the Korean War Veterans Association - by the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation.

We request that you help the legislative process move forward, both as a cosponsor and a colleague of other Senators. This legislation deserves a full, fair, and expeditious hearing on its merits. Beyond that, it deserves the dedicated support of people who feel most keenly the nation's obligation to honor its veterans.


Many visitors to the National Mall have expressed admiration for the current Korean War Veterans Memorial. It certainly expresses the occurrence of a war and some notion of the military activities. But it does not show the extent of sacrifice: 1,000 American deaths monthly for 37 months. By contrast, the nearby Vietnam Veterans Memorial has a wall which shows the names of their fallen and has an obvious moving impact on countless visitors.

In retrospect, rather than being a "forgotten war," the Korean War is a "forgotten victory." An independent, democratic and prosperous South Korea was made possible by our service and we have a grateful and dependable ally in that strategic region.

Victory or not, all Americans who make the supreme sacrifice serving our nation deserve to be publicly honored - by name. Our Korean War allies have already built walls of remembrance for their sacrifices: South Koreans, Brits, Turks, Australians, Canadians, French, etc. etc.

Out of respect for our fallen American service members, we consider it to be our duty, our privilege, and our obligation to properly memorialize them. We need your support in this good endeavor.

Respectfully,


Commander Barnes
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P. S. To see information on the individuals we will be honoring by building the Wall, please go to our Association's website - www.KWVA.org and the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation's website - www.KoreanWarVetsMemorial.org

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