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### **Correspondence Text**

As a Desert Storm veteran I see only one option for site selection. The Desert Storm War Memorial should be built and located near the other War Memorials at Constitution and 23. This would put our Memorial within walking of the other Memorials bringing more visitors to this area for education and remeberence of a battle that to many of us Desert Storm Veterans seems to have been forgotten. Our fallen deserve to be remembered in the same fashion as those who were lost in action before and after Desert Storm. The success of our operation should not take away from the fact that we were at war and had casualties. Please honor our fallen by choosing the site on 23 and Constitution.

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### **Correspondence Text**

My husband served in Desert Storm. He is a 100% service connected Disabled Veteran. We lost 383 Americans during the war. Please honor them with the site on Constitution Ave next to all of the other war memorials. That location on Constitution Ave is ideal because it sits between the Lincoln Memorial and the Vietnam Memorial. This is significant because it was the Vietnam Veterans made sure Desert Storm Veterans came home to warm welcome and honor unlike them. Some Vietnam Veterans also served in Desert Storm. Please select Constitution Ave as the location for the National Desert Storm War Memorial

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## **Correspondence Text**

I'm recommending the one on 23rd and Constitution. I live in the area and walk around there a lot. This location will group it with other memorials and make it easy for the tourists to find. If it's terribly hot out like on Friday (June 23), if any memorial is too far away to visit, walking tourists aren't going to bother. Better for DC to have them easily accessible.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I feel that the placement of this memorial should be at the junction of 23rd street and Constitution Avenue. My reasoning is that when placed closely to the Korean and Vietnam War Memorials it well help to tell the story of American Warriors and their mission after the previous two wars.

What does this mean? It means that the story of the United States willing to send her military men and women into harms way to defend others has been a fact that ALL Americans should be proud of and reminded of. It well help to further grown the understanding of the changing military and how it prepares to meet any foe at any time globally.

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# **Correspondence Text**

Leave our war and call it the National Desert Storm VETERANS Memorial.

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### **Correspondence Text**

It is absolutely essential that this memorial be located on the Constitution Ave location. This memorial deserves to be on the mall with the other war memorials. Please do not marginalize this memorial or the nearly 400 veterans it will honor.

I implore you to do what is right for these heroes and their families.

SPC John H. Aguiar HHT 1/4 CAV, 1st ID Desert Shield / Desert Storm

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### **Correspondence Text**

I hope you will look favorably at allowing our Desert Storm Memorial to be place next to the Lincolm Memorial to be remembered as a bridge between two parts of our country's history. The turbulent Vietnam period where misguided hate of the military was the order of the day. To the uncaring between portion where in the public's eyes we were incompetent with the failure of Desert 1 in Iran, silly attack on the island of Granada, Iran Contra, and the invasion of Panama.

In Desert Shield, we stopped a crazy regime from moving into Saudi Arabia and other nations in the region. In Desert Storm, we were mandated by the UN to liberate the Emirate of Kuwait who was brutally occupied by the Iraqis. We lost good people and many of us came away changed forever. This simple memorial will be a good means for helping us to heal and to remember the sacrifices of many to heal a nation. Our positive outcome provided an impetus for today's military having a great reputation and receiving benefits they so richly deserve as volunteers to protect this great nation.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Please allow the National Desert Storm Memorial to be built on the corner of Constitution and 23rd Ave. This location will give us access to the Vietnam Memorial which I believe changed the way all Veterans are viewed in America today. The Vietnam Veterans made sure that when we returned home there was a welcome home ceremonies. I remember seeing Vietnam Veteran's with their hat's on with Welcome Home signs.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I am in favor of this new memorial!

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I support the Memorial Circle area as the land area supports the general outline of the memorial, the location appears to be more tranquil and less subject to unusual maintenance and upkeep requirements, and the closeness of Arlington National Cemetery provides a strong reminder of the continuity of American citizens, foreign nationals, and former slaves who have given their lives to protect our rights and freedoms.

Moreover, I believe that geographically clustering memorials, as would happen with the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area, allows folks to ignore them easily, while expanding the geographic location of memorials provides greater exposure. I think it is all too easy to ignore the costs of the preservation of our freedom and prefer that this not be encouraged.

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#### **Correspondence Text**

Preferred site is the 23rd & Constitution site. The other site is across the river at the other end of Arlington Bridge...off by itself, no parking, no real access, and away from all the 20th Century War Memorials. We want the 23rd & Constitution site to close out the 20th Century War Memorials since we were the last conflict of the 20th Century.

Several friends fought in desert storm and feel very strongly about the mall location. Seems a bit disrespectful to put this monument on its own away from others of the same time. Vietnam vets and desert storm vets are close as the memorials should be too.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Constitution Ave Terminus Area is my choice. I think it will fit in better in that area. It is closer to the other war memorials.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Hello us Gulf War Vets want to have this memorial at Constitution and 23rd NW please, as then it is near the other war memorials. If we are relegated to the island, basically at the point we would be the forgotten warriors to be forgotten on an island far from all the other memorials at the national mall. Please allow us to build this memorial where people will be able to learn more about the sacrifices we made. Especially for the three men I knew that didn't get to come home with me. Thank you Spc. Kenneth Falls C co. 82nd Engineer.

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Constitution and 23rd NW

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## **Correspondence Text**

I asked that the Gulf War Memorial be built on Constitution and 23NW

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## **Correspondence Text**

My vote is to put the Desert Storm on the national mall near the constitution avenue terminus.

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### **Correspondence Text**

As a Desert Storm Veteran, I really want this memorial to be built. We are the last conflict of the 20th century and the only one without a memorial. I think this memorial should be located in the same area as the rest and specifically on the corner of Constitution and 23rd NW.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Please put the memorial Constitution and 23rd NW. That way it is directly in downtown DC with the others!

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Constitution and 23rd

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## **Correspondence Text**

The war memorial would be fantastic but let's put up at Constitution and 23rd so it can actually be observed better.

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On Constitution NW

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## **Correspondence Text**

23rd and Constitution. Not off the Mall. Give same standing as other veterans memorials.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I am a Gulf War Veteran, I served with Charlie Company 82 nd engineers out of Bamberg Germany with was part of 7th Corp, 3/2 Acr. Any way to honor not only our brothers n arms we lost but all that were lost should be recognized.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I'm a Desert Storm Veteran and want it to be built on Constitution and 23rd NW please.

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## **Correspondence Text**

We want it to be built on Constitution and 23rd NW site.

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## **Correspondence Text**

Constitution Avenue NW near 23rd Street NW is my choice. There are other war memorials nearby so it makes more sense.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I would like to see the Desert Storm Memorial built on the Constitution Avenue NW near 23rd Street.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Love this... Would like it built on constitution and 23rd NW

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I feel that the proposed area near the Constitution Avenue Terminus location is the best fit as it puts the memorial near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Desert Shield/Desert Storm was the next major conflict after the Vietnam war. As a Desert Shield/Storm veteran I feel this is a good fit because many veterans that I served with also served in Vietnam. Having the Desert Shield/Desert Storm Memorial and Vietnam Memorial next to each other would be nice so veterans of both wars and their families wouldn't have so far to travel to visit each memorial when visiting Washington D.C. Especially as our Vietnam veterans grow older each day. The wonderful welcome we received when we returned home was a healing for our nation of the division that the Vietnam war caused. When I returned home I couldn't help but feel obligated to ensure that I remembered the different welcome those that fought before me in Vietnam came home to. While the other location could work I think it would be too isolated from the obvious link between the two conflicts.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I want the Desert Shield/Desert Storm memorial located at Constitution and 23rd NW.

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### **Correspondence Text**

The Constitution Avenue site for the Desert Shield/Desert Storm Memorial would be more appropriate at the Constitution Abue site as it would be within short walking distance from the Lincoln Memorial & close by other War memorials

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### **Correspondence Text**

I believe the memorial should be on Constitution Blvd close to the Vietnam memorial due to the fact most of the senior NCO's and Senior Officers are also Vietnam vets.

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## **Correspondence Text**

As a Desert Storm veteran, I believe the memorial should be built at 23rd and Constitution.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I want this to be built on Constitution and 23rd NW.So that it can be seen.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I think the Desert Storm Memorial Wall should be built. No matter how short of a war that it was, the fallen should be recognized.

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### **Correspondence Text**

To Whom it may concern,

Please select the location On Constitution Avenue north of the Lincoln Memorial and west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall). I am a Desert Storm Veteran and wish this memorial to be placed along side all the others. It was a decisive victory for all of the US. and should have the same location as all of the other wars.

Thanks You

Ralph

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#### **Correspondence Text**

Reference: The National Desert Storm War Memorial: the Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island.

I would like to encourage the NDSWM to be scheduled for construction on the Memorial Circle area of the at George Washington Parkway on Columbia Island. Operation Desert Storm was fought in a country, that is independent from other conflicts, and has bodies of water on each side(i.e., Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, and the Red Sea). From what I've seen, in the design of the NDSWM, the amount of floral landscaping will need constant moisture. Depending on plant life utilized, the NDSWM can partially be maintained and/or irrigated by the bodies of water surrounding Columbia Island, leaving personnel more time for grounds maintenance and lawn care, cleaning, and policing of the memorial's surrounds grounds. It will also, free up the National Parks Service rangers, to help tourists with Question and Answer sessions. As far as Visitors of the NDSWM, I believe the location, will ensure better ease of access and safety for disabled visitors, to the NDSWM via the Memorial Avenue Bridge from Arlington National Cemetery parking lot. And, also, this will create better foot traffic to both the NDSWM and Arlington National Cemetery, lessening traffic congestion. Also, for a minimum shuttle fee, and to create funds for maintenance, the NPS could have shuttle service to the NDSWM from Arlington Parking Lot around Memorial Circle, and back to Arlington Parking Lot, in 10 minute increments.

I am a Desert Storm Combat Veteran, injured while there, and after. I speak for Desert Storm veterans, as far as the Location Consideration. I'm speaking for potential disabled veterans/visitors and their caregivers, as far as Consideration of Accommodation, but also with all visitors in mind.

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I think this an excellent idea and suggest that the memorial be built on Constitution and 23rd NW.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I deployed during Desert Shield/Storm with the US Air Force, 2nd Combat Communications Group. I was based out of Taif Saudi Air Base. We were there in direct support to a F-111 fighter/bomber squadron out of England. I'll never forget the early morning hours on January 17th 1991 when those planes took off to launch an attack in Iraq...not all planes returned. I feel that the appropriate site for the Desert Storm Memorial should be place at the Memorial Circle location, to "memorialize" all of the fallen heroes from the ground and air. I am thankful that the efforts of all involved are being remembered and especially those who gave their all. Thank you

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I believe that most including myself are wanting the memorial placed on Memorial and NW 23rd. Thanks!

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#### **Correspondence Text**

Please put the memorial at the Memorial Circle area of George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island. The Mall and its adjoining memorial area is becoming a cluttered mess. There needs to be space for running, picnicking, crowds during festivals and events, sports, etc. The area belong to the metro area also. Many use it weekly as our backyard so please keep the "parks" in National Mall and Memorial Parks. No more monuments taking up valuable sq feet on the mall and parks. Let VA and MD take some of the honor (think the Iwa Jima memorial, Arlington) as they do for presidents such as LBJ and Teddy.

By the way keep the volleyball area and other fields near FDR. It's nice to see people using the park when I drive by. Ive also seen people playing baseball, cricket, tag football etc. Part of the design and concept of the FDR memorial is the sports areas around it. He had been very athletic. The fields are mentioned during the tours as part of the design of the memorial and how their placement reflects him. By eliminating those spaces you ruin the concept of the FDR memorial.

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Build it on constitution and 23rd. So it can be with the other memorials.

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I wish to express my steadfast support for the National Desert Storm War Memorial and the absolute necessity for it to be located on the available site at 23rd and Constitution Avenue in Washington, D.C.

I personally served in Operation DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM with the 27th Engineer Battalion (Combat)(Airborne). It was certainly a major event in my life as well as a major event in our country's history. It should be treated as such by placing it near the other "War Memorials" on the National Mall. Placing the memorial within walking distance to the other memorials will ensure that the millions of annual visitors to Washington will be able to pay tribute to the almost 400 brave Americans (several of whom came from my very battalion and were well known to me) who made the supreme sacrifice. Desert Storm accomplished many things including the liberation of Kuwait as well as changing the public's perception and treatment of our military. Operation Desert Storm and all who served should be afforded the same honor and respect as all of the other wars past and present by allowing it to be located at the prominent and fitting location of 23rd and Constitution.

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I would like to see the Desert Storm War Memorial built at Constitution and 23rd NW. I hope you consider this for our memorial.

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### **Correspondence Text**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and to give the American Citizens a voice.

The National Desert Storm War Memorial should be placed in the same immediate area as the other War Memorials in Washington DC.

The 3-acre lot at 23rd & Constitution is perfect and it is available!

Thank you!

Best,

Jill Etter

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#### **Correspondence Text**

First, thank you for finally recognizing the Veterans that paid the ultimate sacrifice. The location I'd recommend would be Valley Forge. There are many memorials of past wars and its the location where our 1st president fought for America. This is long overdo and the Gold Star Families along with the Veteran's deserve this memorial. Thank you for reading/considering my comment.

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## **Correspondence Text**

My Son served during this time and was over there during the hardest time for eight months. I sat in front of the tv as much as I could just hoping to see him. His best friend died over there during that time. He, and his other veteran friends are hoping the memorial will be at 24th and Constitution because that is where the other war memorials are. I am hoping they get their wishes. Thank you.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I just wrote a request a minute ago and I made an error. I said we would like it at 24th and Constitution,..but it should be 23rd and Constitution. Sorry about the error.....

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### **Correspondence Text**

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I would much prefer the Constitution and 23rd site. Not the least of which is the symbolism of both the address and it's proximity to other military memorials inside the purview of the National Park Service. Given that so many of us have given pain, sweat, tears and even blood in service to this great nation and also the content of the oath we all swear and thousands do every year. "To support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic." I feel it is only right that the keepers of that solemn vow be honored with a memorial on Constitution Avenue.

In strong but humble support of the two hundred and ninety three men and women that lost their lives and paid the full measure of dedication to a most grateful nation. I stand in support of this nomination.

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I am in support of building the National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) at the Constitution Avenue terminus area near 23rd Street NW in Washington, DC., as a tribute to fallen heroes and veterans who deserve to be remembered for their bravery.

I believe this location is preferred because of 1) Its proximity to the Vietnam Memorial since Desert Storm was the largest military operation after the Vietnam War; 2) The walkability of the site and overall pedestrian friendly features of 23rd and Constitution; and 3) The significant location among other war memorials.

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#### **Correspondence Text**

The National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) is more than just a way to commemorate those involved the conflict. The NDSWM is a historical touchstone that will link the past to the present and enable people to remember and respect the sacrifice of those who died, fought, participated or were affected by service in the Persian Gulf conflict. It will be an important source of information for young people in understanding the sacrifices made, not only by the soldiers of Desert Storm, but by past generations in other conflicts.

Desert Storm veterans have a special bond with the soldiers that served through the Vietnam War and beyond. It was the Vietnam-era veterans that forged the soldiers of Desert Storm. Without their leadership and training the "Mother of All Battles" may have actually turned into one.

Desert Storm vets desire -and deserve- to have this special relationship recognized. Proximity to the Vietnam Wall honors this bond. Being near the Lincoln Memorial reminds us, and future generations, that every man and woman that answered their nation's call willingly did so prepared to give "that last full measure of devotion" for their country.

Please give these brave heroes, whose sacrifices galvanized our country and renewed patriotism like no time before, their place of honor by locating the National Desert Storm War Memorial at the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW in Washington, D.C.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I an a Desert Storm Veteran and want the National Desert Storm War Memorial built on Constitution and 23rd NW.

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### **Correspondence Text**

First of all thank you for taking the time to read my comment. As a Desert Storm veteran and part of the 24th Infantry Division I feel this Memorial should be set next to the Vietnam War. This conflict help to seal a bond with the Vietnam veterans and help heal some of their wounds. We have United as one. What this Memorial mean located on Constitution and 23rd is more accessible for handicapped people who are visit in that area what the history that is going to be displayed with this Memorial it will not only help the veterans it will educate the public on what took place in my eyes 23rd and Constitution would be the only fit place for this Memorial I would love to make the open meeting however I don't feel my schedule will allow me to do that therefore it was important for me to speak my mind I'm where this Memorial should be again thank you for your time

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Constitution and 23 NW

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#### **Correspondence Text**

We have enough Memorials and Monuments on the Mall. Adding more will just obliterate the remaining 'open' space. In all honesty, WHERE and WHEN do we STOP? This comment comes from a U.S. citizen and military veteran. Thank you.

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#### **Correspondence Text**

I am a Desert Shield & Desert Storm veteran. The National Desert Storm War Memorial must be located at the Constitution Avenue NW near 23rd Street NW location for many reasons including:

1. A war memorial should be located amongst other war memorials!

2. Better exposure, ease of access, and walkability of the site and overall pedestrian friendly features of 23rd and Constitution location.

3. Proximity to Vietnam Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Lincoln Memorial.

4. Cost ... I'm told it already has preliminary infrastructure in place. The other location would require much more initial cost and since this is a privately funded project, we want our memorial completed as quickly and economically as possible.

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Build it on constitutional avenue...

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Please build this memorial where it is plainly visible on Constitution and 23rd NW.

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### **Correspondence Text**

My comments as posted to the National Park Service - feel free to plagiarize: The National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) is more than just a way to commemorate those involved the conflict. The NDSWM is a historical touchstone that will link the past to the present and enable people to remember and respect the sacrifice of those who died, fought, participated or were affected by service in the Persian Gulf conflict. It will be an important source of information for young people in understanding the sacrifices made, not only by the soldiers of Desert Storm, but by past generations in other conflicts.

Desert Storm veterans have a special bond with the soldiers that served through the Vietnam War and beyond. It was the Vietnam-era veterans that forged the soldiers of Desert Storm. Without their leadership and training the "Mother of All Battles" may have actually turned into one.

Desert Storm vets desire -and deserve- to have this special relationship recognized. Proximity to the Vietnam Wall honors this bond. Being near the Lincoln Memorial reminds us, and future generations, that every man and woman that answered their nation's call willingly did so prepared to give "that last full measure of devotion" for their country.

Please give these brave heroes, whose sacrifices galvanized our country and renewed patriotism like no time before, their place of honor by locating the National Desert Storm War Memorial at the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW in Washington, D.C.

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I vote for Columbia Island for the Desert Storm Monument. Thank you!

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## **Correspondence Text**

Please put the memorial closer to the other war memorials. Out by Constitution and 23rd NW is preferred. Please do not put it on Columbia Island.

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### **Correspondence Text**

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1. A war memorial should be located amongst other war memorials!

2. Better exposure, ease of access, and walkability of the site and overall pedestrian friendly features of 23rd and Constitution location.

3. Proximity to Vietnam Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Lincoln Memorial.

4. Cost ... We're told this site already has preliminary infrastructure in place. The other location would much more costly and since this is a privately funded project, we want our memorial completed as quickly and economically as possible.

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## **Correspondence Text**

Needs to be by other war memorials

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## **Correspondence Text**

I have an opinion and a question regarding this issue.

My opinion is that I'd like this memorial to be set on the memorial mall section, near the others. But, either is good so long as it is constructed.

My question is this: my husband, Spec. Dennis M. May, of 3/82FA, Svc Battalion, First Calvary, died in 1993 as a direct result of his service in Desert Storm. I would like to see his name, and the names of all who are in that category, be included on this memorial. He was 100% service connected and his surgeon and 2 oncologists told me directly that his death was a direct result of chemical and/or biological agent exposure. To not include all in that category, to me, is insulting and disrespectful of their service to this country. Is anything being done for these service members? Thank you.

Correspondences - National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial - PEPC ID: 62216

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### **Correspondence Text**

The Desert Storm Veterans deserve a memorial that is near other memorials. Just using common sense, it should be located at the Constitution Avenue NW near 23rd Street NW. Because the infrastructure is there already, this will be less costly, and can be finished sooner. Thank you.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I am requesting that the Proposed National Desert Storm War Memorial be built at Constitution and 23rd NW. This site would be a link from the past to thepresent. It will remember those who served, who fought, ad those who made the ultimate sacrifice. The men and women who were involved in Desert Storm were bonded by those before them, and being near the Vietnam Wall and close to the Lincoln Memorial would bring them all together. Please consider the Constitution Avenue Terminus near 23rd Street NW as the perfect location. Thank you!

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## **Correspondence Text**

The NDSWM should be erected at 23rd and Constitution, or not at all.

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## **Correspondence Text**

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### **Correspondence Text**

First, I want to thanks the members for their work in scoping the sites. As both a Desert Storm veteran and National Mall NPS volunteer, I clearly favor the Constitution Avenue site.

First, this site is more accessible to the public. There is both mass transit and parking readily available. The Columbia Island site is on the median between the two direction of the GW Parkway. There is no mass transit or parking. People visiting will have to cross multiple lanes of traffic to access the site. To build parking would significantly increase the cost. As a result, the Columbia Island site presents a significant safety hazard to both pedestrians and drivers.

Second, the Constitution Avenue site is in keeping with the character of that part of the Memorial Parks. WWII, Korea and Vietnam Veterans site are all there. While the Lincoln Memorial dominates that end of the Park, I would argue that is role as the Commander-in-Chief during the Civil War is in leeping with this theme.

Finally, as I understand the design of the Memorial, it will not disrupt the overall ambiance of the area.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Dan Breitenbach Desert Storm Commander, 4-27 Field Artillery

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## **Correspondence Text**

Site preferences for the Desert Memorial: The one north of the Lincoln Memorial (Constitution Avenue site). I favor the Constitution Avenue site for the following reasons: the site is more accessible to the public. There is both mass transit and parking readily available.

The Columbia Island site is on the median between the two direction of the GW Parkway. There is no mass transit or parking. People visiting will have to cross multiple lanes of traffic to access the site. To build parking would significantly increase the cost. As a result, the Columbia Island site presents a significant safety hazard to both pedestrians and drivers.

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## **Correspondence Text**

Dear Committee, Please put the NDSWM on the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW. This site is closest to the other memorials, which are within walking distance. It is also close to the Vietnam War Memorial, and lessons learned from Vietnam were instrumental in our defense for Operation Desert Storm. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Laura Schmidt, Former HM1/USN, Desert Storm Veteran, USNS Comfort T-AH 20.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I strongly support selection of the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area site for location of the National Desert Storm Memorial. This location is much more in keeping with the historical traditions of the preceding war memorials to WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam Wa, both chronologically and in terms of battlefield significance. Even thought there is no convenient Metro stop to this site (nor is there one to any of the other major War Memorials - a fault the WMATA should be called to account for), it is still near enough to those other War Memorials to serve as a single area for veterans of multiple conflicts or who wish to honor veterans of each of those conflicts, many of whom may be fathers, grandfathers, uncles, or others.

Veterans of the first Gulf War sometimes feel like it is the Forgotten War. Some outsiders think because it "only" lasted 100 hours it wasn't a "real war." Those who have Gulf War Illness especially feel like the Forgotten Wounded as VA turns its back on them. Placing the Memorial at the Memorial Circle site would only exacerbate this belief, as though the Gulf War were being shunted off away from the mainstream again, as if it weren't a "real war."

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## **Correspondence Text**

It should be by other war memorials. Constitution Avenue NW near 23rd Street NW Is the logical location.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I think a monument to those who fought in Operation Desert Storm is a wonderful idea. I believe that a monument is a good way to show our veterans how much we care about them and appreciate what they give for our safety and security. I am all for any monument that is dedicated to serving our nation.

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## **Correspondence** Text

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Commission,

I writing this comment to Respectfully Request your strong consideration of the Constitution Terminus location for the National Desert Storm War Memorial.

I am an 18 year Veteran of the United States Navy with deployments beginning with the Iranian Hostage Crisis and culminating with a deployment aboard the Aircraft Carrier, USS America CV-66 in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

I have been an active member of fundraising for this memorial, as well as participating in representing my Brother and Sister Desert Storm Veterans in Washington D.C. on Memorial Day....a humbling experience to be sure.

I am requesting this location due to it's proximity to the Vietnam War Memorial. The men and women who served in Southeast Asia during Vietnam were the same warriors who trained us when our generation enlisted. Not once, during my time as a young Sailor, did I hear any of them disparage any of us. We were their hope for the future of the Country that we all love. We owe every drop of sweat, blood and every tear that we ever shed while serving our Nation to them, they trained us well. It is for this reason that I am compelled to request this location and I know that I am not alone in this sentiment.

As I walk The Mall every year, I find it my Solemn Obligation to reflect at the War Memorials, Just as I do at Arlington, and silently pray for those who have made the Ultimate Sacrifice on our behalf. The tears are still shed for those who I may never have met, but I still know.....

Personally, I have a special affinity for the Constitution Avenue location, mainly because it is so close to where we finish the parade on Memorial Day. I would love to finish the parade and walk a short distance to our memorial and pray for our Fallen, our Country and our future.

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Thank you in advance for your consideration,

Respectfully, Daniel J Kubala, EM1, USN

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## **Correspondence Text**

To the honorable NPS EA committee,

Greetings and salutations. Desert Shield/Desert Storm veteran and current Air Guard member Jay Mastrud here. First off, thank you for your time, assistance, and work on the process of site selection for the NDSWM.

Speaking of which, my reason for writing is to lobby for the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW site, please. Since the other war memorials are in this vicinity, it makes sense to add this one to compliment and continue telling the stories of our military past to the present and for posterity. While Desert Storm occurred after the official end of the cold war, its military, equipment, leadership, tactics, and geo-political implications reflect decades of previous engagements honored and remembered nearby.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Very respectfully yours,

Jay C. Mastrud MA History UN-Kearney (public history focus)

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## **Correspondence Text**

As an american Desert Storm Veteran, I feel that the memorial should be at the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW.

Desert Storm was the next official war/ conflict, or whatever term you choose ,,,, after Vietnam, and It,s fitting that is should be near the Vietnam memorial.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I am a combat Veteran of Desert Shield/Desert Storm. (DS)

I know both these locations well having been assigned at the Pentagon & the NCR.

I respectfully recommend Placing the DS Memorial at: the Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I think any war American's have fought and died in should have a memorial. I'm not sure I agree with it being in Washington D.C. considering the level of liberalism there. It wouldn't surprise me to see a petition or protest about something like this because there are too many memorials to those who served already. Or something like that anyway.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I vote for placement at Constitution Ave Terminus Area. It would be ideal as the general public would be able to visit the Korean War Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and thusly ours, the Desert Storm Memorial, all on the same side of the Potomac River.

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### **Correspondence Text**

As a veteran of DESRT STORM, I have a vested interest in providing you my comments.

Since DESERT STORM in many ways marked the recovery of the armed forces and the nation from the divisiveness and tragedy of Vietnam, I think it is most fitting to place the memorial near the existing Vietnam Memorial on the Mall.

Lt Col John B. Firer (USA, RET)

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## **Correspondence Text**

Although both sites are great, the washington parkway circle would be my choice, as the Gulf war and GWOT represents the longest conflict in our history and likely to go on. it also represents the leadership role and the impact the 911 had on our national psyche.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I think Memorial Circle is the best location in DC for this Monument. Please proceed and I will support.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I believe the memorial should be located in the vicinity of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The reason is that many of the men and women who fought in Desert Storm were the sons and daughters of Vietnam Veterans. It is only fitting that the two memorial sites should be located near each other.

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The Memorial Circle site appears to be a better location for the proposed Desert Storm memorial because it will also allow for future Global War On Terrorism memorials, to which the first Gulf War is historically linked.

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Please place the National Desert Storm War Memorial on the National Mall near the Lincoln Memorial and the Vietnam War Memorial to maximize the number of people who will get to see it and have some time to pause & reflect about the meaning of the memorial. Putting it in a traffic circle features too many distractions and dangers, namely the traffic.

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## **Correspondence Text**

#### To Whom It May Concern,

I am commenting on the current debate over where to place the National Desert Storm War Memorial. The current location under consideration seems to be the proper place for a monument of this nature. It's proximity to war memorials and monuments of a similar nature makes the location optimal. It is only 2 blocks from the Vietnam Memorial and as many Desert Storm veterans are also Vietnam War veterans I believe this is the perfect location to pay respect. Thank you for your consideration.

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Please choose the Constitution ave location for our memorial.

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### **Correspondence** Text

Dear National Parks Service:

As a Desert Storm Veteran, I support a location for the National Desert Storm Memorial to be located on the National Mall in Washington, DC, for three reasons.

First, the location would create an appropriate sequence of war Veteran memorials in an arch, starting from the White House, that go: World War I (First and Second Divisions), World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, and then Desert Storm, the first battle in the current 27-year Gulf War. This provides an appropriate aesthetic position for the memorial in our nation's capital.

Second, the location would be the first memorial visitors would see when entering Washington DC via Interstate 66 / Constitution Avenue (or departing by the same route), and this is fitting and proper.

And, third, it is the best location for pedestrian traffic because it is at the southwest corner of the intersection of Constitution Avenue and 23rd Street, NW. That's south of the U.S. Institute of Peace, west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and north of the Lincoln Memorial, and thus easily accessible by visitors to our National Mall.

I object to the proposed alternative because it appears to be located in a hard to reach grass median area off the George Washington Parkway in Virginia near Arlington National Cemetery.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Paul Sullivan

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### **Correspondence Text**

Greetings,

I would like to share my thoughts and provide input into the location of the National Desert Storm War Memorial.

Having followed this because of my father and uncle, both of whom served in Desert Storm I truly believe the right and proper location for the National Desert Storm War Memorial should be at the 23rd and Constitution Ave location. Given the proximity to the other war memorials and the Lincoln Memorial this location is close to these tremendous tourist visitors everyday.

Given this alone the Washington Circle location would prohibit such access.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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## **Correspondence Text**

The current proposed location of our monument needs to be on 23rd and Constitution Ave and most importantly by the Vietnam Memorial. Please remember that most of us who fought in Desert Storm, our fathers and mothers where Vietnam veterans. By having the two Memorials right by each other will show how two consecutive generations of Americans fought to preserve liberty. Our memorial is long over due and it really is a shame that it's taken 26 years for our fallen and those who volunteered (the first all volunteer war) to be recognized in our nations capital. Please stop with the nonsense of blocking, postponing and D.C. games and please begin construction asap. Thank you.

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## **Correspondence Text**

My husband and I are both retired 30 year veterans. We would prefer not to see anymore construction on the National Mall. The Memorial Circle is an appropriate site for the National Desert Storm Memorial. Thanks for the chance to weigh in. I am a life member of AUSA and saw the article about this through their recent publication.

V/R, Dr. Cheryl McAuley, USA LTC (ret)

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To: National Park Service Comment on National Desert Storm Memorial Site selection

As. retired Major RN, BSN MSN USAF and a Vietnam and Desert Storm Veteran I want to testify that the only Location acceptable is the site at 23rd and Constitution. Those like myself feel that we must be co-located with the other War Memorials within walking distance! This shows respect and community with those service member veterans that went before us into war. There are many senior officers and Senior NCO ranks that are either Vietnam veterans or Vietnam Era Veterans and served in Desert Storm that want that particular site!

It is historical to put all Nation War Memorial together in a common location so it shows history through Decades of Military Wars!

We should not be separated! It allows that the different veterans and families can come together to honor all at one common location! We meet each other at these common memorials we shed our tears, memories, and experiences we need that common location!

We offer support and healing with each other. We form bonds by being together.

We are a unique population of those that served in war! We need American citizens to tour these sites and give honor and respect to each service member that was lost in war. Veterans that served predominately have had sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles, grand parents and full extend family that have served in the military through generations and therefore need to have war memorial together forever in a common location in DC!

Please hear our need and honor our generational families that have suffered the horrors of wars and our combined losses of fellow brother and sister veterans immediate family and generationally for our families. Honor, Value, Respect each servicemen that was lost in war and those hundreds of thousands million of us effected directly in war.

The value to educate citizens, visitors from foreign nations, and school age children that come to DC to educate and honor generational history of war losses and the service we gave should not be inconvence in having different war memorials scattered away in different locations so that one war our Desert Storm War Memorial being at a different seperate location! Then they have to chose missing one memorial separated in distance. The crowds come to one common location not multiple locations.

It is of the utmost importance to us as veterans of war and our families both retrograded in service and into the future generations to be all located close together.

There is no other choice that meets those needs except 23rd and Constitution! Listen to us the veterans! If you do not you disrespect, dishonor, devalue our military loses now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Montra Denise Nichols, MAJ, Ret. USAF RN, BSN, MSN National Vietnam and Gulf War Veterans Coalition In unison with my generational family members that served in wars in and for all of American War History.

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I would hope the Desert Storm War Memorial will be built at The Constitution Ave & 23rd Street NW location as this location is near this nation's other war memorials.

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I believe the constitution ave option is the best choice and this is based on my previous trips to Washington DC.

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### **Correspondence Text**

I hope that the powers that be would consider to put the Desert Storm War Memorial in close proximity to the other war memorials. The best location for this would be at 23rd & Consitution Ave. Our Desert Storm Veterans deserve this. We answered the call and now we deserve to recognized properly.

Thank you for your consideration.

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## **Correspondence Text**

Every person that serves in our country's military deserves to be honored in some way. I am the proud cousin of one who served and knows of his battles since leaving the service. No one makes these men & women sign up...they do it for the Love of Our Beautiful Country. They sacrifice so much whether they come home or not. Please...PLEASE...Honor the Heroic men & women who fought in Desert Storm by placing this monument. Thank you to All & God Bless!

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The National Desert Storm War Memorial belongs at 23rd and Constitution Ave in Washington DC. This puts in an area that would be beneficial for veterans and the general public to view and recognize it. I am a Desert Storm Veteran and would like to see it when completed at this site if at all possible.

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## **Correspondence Text**

i am a United States Army Gulf War Veteran. I served proudly and honorably with B. Co. 724th SB (M) 24th Infantry Division (Mech).

I was deployed from 22 Aug 90 until 14 Apr 91. While there a fellow unit soldier, my best friend, was killed. He is one of the 383 Service Members that gave the ultimate sacrifice. These 383 Service Members were son and daughters with some being fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters and of course friends.

Those that these people left behind need a beautiful memorial where they can pay honor and respects and also reflect. This Memorial needs to be very close to where the other Memorials for the other wars our country has been are placed. This would the wonderful location of 23rd and Constitution.

This spot would be great for others that wish to see the Memorial since it is in nice walking distance from the Vietnam Wall and the Lincoln Memorial. There is a huge amount of visitors to Washington DC every year and this Memorial would be highly visited and this location.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this Roger L. Hostetter US Army Gulf War Veteran (Disabled) 24th ID

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### **Correspondence Text**

I support the Constitution Ave Terminus Area for the site of the National Desert Storm Memorial. It is very close to the Vietnam War Memorial and would provide a great link as Desert Storm caused the citizens of the United States to again support our troops, thus erasing the lack of support given to those who served in Vietnam.

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### **Correspondence Text**

As a Vietnam Veteran and a Desert Storm Veteran, the location should be near the Vietnam Memorial; it is the only appropriate site to commemorate this war.

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## **Correspondence Text**

First and foremost, let's get this done! Don't let a project to finally honor the Desert Storm veterans get delayed over site selection. Compromise on WHERE to build it, not on WHETHER to build it.

It seems like the Constitution and 23rd Street location would be very visible to D.C. visitors and would be appropriately close to memorials for other modern wars, namely Korea and Vietnam. I fear that the Columbia Island location, though beautiful, is out of the way enough that most people would never see it. I suppose that visitors to Arlington National Cemetery might see it on the way, but personally I have never taken that route to get to the cemetery. However, either site would be beautified by a Desert Storm memorial.

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Of course we want a Desert Shield Desert Storm Memorial. However I am uncertain what kind of response you hope to elicit. SCUDS, Abrams, Bradley's, and Big Mo firing a volley, Stealth Aircraft, and perhaps one of the most perfectly planned and executed wars in American history.

It was like stain remover after Vietnam not that it was needed or should have been.

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I attended the July 12, 2017 Scoping Meeting on the National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial (NDSWM) Site Selection and have the following comments on both sites:

Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island

Soon after I started working for the National Park Service in 1965, I was assigned to work on the Beautification Task Force to implement Lady Bird Johnson's Beautification Program in what was then National Capital Parks. Thus these comments will provide some institutional memory as background for comments on the proposed site selection for the Desert Storm/Desert Shield Memorial.

During that time, landscape architect Edward Durrell Stone, Jr. developed a Master Landscape Plan for Columbia Island, which was approved by both the Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission. Because full funding was not available to implement that entire plan, it was planted in phases - first with donated funds, then with NPS funds as they became available.

That Master Landscape Plan included deciduous and evergreen trees and dogwoods. The first phase of planting was done around Memorial Circle, because of its prominence between the Lincoln Memorial and the Arlington Cemetery Hemicycle and Memorial Avenue. Then all of the dogwoods were planted with donated funds, followed by phases of deciduous and evergreen tree plantings. This Master Landscape Plan has guided subsequent plantings.

Later Columbia Island was officially named Lady Bird Johnson Park in her honor, and a site within her park was selected as the location of the "Lyndon Baines Johnson Memorial Grove on the Potomac", for which I coordinated the design and construction. Subsequently LBJ Grove was added to the National Register. The George Washington Memorial Parkway (GWMP) runs through Lady Bird Johnson Park and the pre-existing Navy-Merchant Marine Memorial is located at its southern end. Thus it encompasses a number of integrated cultural landscapes that together have the character of naturalistic landscape plantings with flowing open spaces between them and along the parkways.

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The Desert Storm and Desert Shield Site Selection Study does not adequately recognize the above-cited historic resources/cultural landscapes that would be affected by its placement in the Memorial Circle area. Also it assumes contrived relationships between the war memorials along Memorial Avenue and the proposed site. In reality, the memorials along Memorial Avenue are related only to it, not to areas around Memorial Circle in Lady Bird Johnson Park or the parkway cultural landscapes. In fact, a war memorial there would be an intrusion on the above-cited character of naturalistic landscape plantings with flowing open spaces between them and along the parkways. Instead, Memorial Circle should remain enframed by uninterrupted landscape plantings as a more natural transition between the Lincoln Memorial and Memorial Avenue.

Other disadvantages of putting the memorial on this site are its lack of easy accessibility for pedestrians from both public transit and closest parking, because of lack of vehicular access and the intrusion that would be created by adding long walks to it; its encroachment on existing open space, and cultural and natural resources; and lack of infrastructure and the intrusions and costs of adding it. In addition, because of the intensity vehicular use of the parkway, there would be pedestrian/vehicular conflicts.

Finally, in no way would a Desert Storm Memorial in this location "Evoke the spatial qualities of the Kuwaiti desert" cited as a goal under the project's Design Intent! In fact, this is why the Lady Bird Johnson Park Memorial Circle area should not be considered as a location for it. The site selection study should recognize this.

#### Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW

This site, in contrast to the Memorial Circle site, provides a pedestrian-accessible location in close proximity to the National Mall, along with a strong thematic connection to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and its future Visitor Center, with the US Institute of Peace to the north, and the Lincoln Memorial to the south, as well as the not too distant Korean War Memorial.

This site would also easily meet NPS/ NDSWM site selection criteria, such as being located in surroundings that are relevant to the subject of the work; being readily accessible to pedestrians, transit, and visitors; near other visitor destinations; requiring minimal infrastructure improvements, such as connections to nearby sidewalks, and could easily be integrated within the existing landscape and plantings. Although an Army Corps of Engineers Potomac Park Levee will be located in this area in the future, there is an opportunity for the landforms of the proposed memorial to be integrated with this.

Because of these advantages, the NDSWM should be located on this site.

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## **Correspondence Text**

I strongly support the location for Desert Storm Memorial near Vietnam Memorial site.

I recently met daughter of President Lyndon Johnson, Lynda Bird Johnson Robb in Quincy-MA where I live, for the 50th Ann. of National Historic Preservation Act which her father signed into law & have tremendous respect for Lady Bird Johnson's Beautification Plan & cultural landscapes and open areas concept, first of which was at Memorial Circle and agree with what was stated in the National Capital Planning Commission hearing, that having Desert Storm Memorial in that area goes against that.

Also, it makes most sense to have the National Desert Storm War Memorial in the area with all other Memorials on Constitution Ave, especially the Vietnam Memorial since mostly majority of the people who fought in Desert Storm were Vietnam veterans.

Finally, I grew up in Kuwait my entire childhood and my parents went missing for a whole month with no news of their where about's when invasion happened and it was the scariest time for me and my 4 siblings here in the US.; my youngest brother who was in Junior High at the time in Kuwait, was visiting me with just his suitcase of clothes and he could not go back home due to the war. Thus I am very grateful to the men and women of US Armed Forces for Freeing Kuwait and whole heartedly support Desert Storm veterans getting their rightful place in history in a location which makes most sense , on Constitution Avenue.

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## **Correspondence Text**

Having served alongside my American brothers and sisters for the duration of Desert Storm and having recently been present at the unveiling of our memorial over here I have seen first hand the importance of accessibility and freedom of movement to and around any memorial is for both veterans and relatives of those who served. Our memorial is situated within the grounds of the National Memorial Arboretum and is fully accessible to those in wheelchairs or using other aids. There is a regular shuttle service for those unable to walk any distance. I have read on the Desert Storm Vets page that their preferred option would be the Constitution/23rd option. In my small way I urge you to take onboard their comments when making your final decision.

#### Many thanks,

Andy White (ex Royal Air Force Armourer who proudly served through Desert Storm)

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Well actually i am not going to comment about any special topic but i am here to Thank you for sharing this data . and very informative and helpful . Actually i am working on nationalextras.com .

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Please, let's get this done while their are still some of us left to go and see & enjoy it...

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The National Desert Storm Memorial is better suited for the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW location. The Constitution Ave location is more accessible to visitors who will visit the more famous war memorials. By placing the memorial South of the Potomac River the action would infer this war was not as important as others and would would imply those who lost their lives or who served didn't matter as much. When looking at potential visitors, look at the lack of visitors to the LBJ memorial compared to any other Presidential memorial on the north side of the River. The LBJ memorial is by far the least visited of the Presidential memorials and it is also on this island. Given the uncertainty of the Memorial Bridge and its potential closure to vehicle and pedestrian traffic access to a memorial on the south side of the Potomac is not a preferred location.

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I believe that the best site for the National Desert Storm War Memorial would be at the Constitution Avenue Terminus. Use of this site will result in a lesser impact on trees since it has fewer trees than the alternative site and would improve what is currently a disjointed piece of land surrounded by highways.

In addition, I request that a 30% tree canopy be retained in the design for the memorial. Although the memorial is related to action in a less than fully forested area of the Middle East, the Washington area is naturally a forest area and the City is known for its tree canopy. Washington's tree canopy has been adversely impacted over the years and we should take action to preserve as many trees as possible. Therefore, I request that the plan for the memorial concentrate on the use of the existing open space in order to protect the existing mature trees.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment on this plan.

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Thank you for the honor you are giving our history and our heroes with your proposed Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial.

I ask that you protect the trees at a future memorial by locating the memorial at the Constitution Avenue Terminus, preserving the mature trees in the space, and planning and planting additional trees around the memorial for at least a 30% tree cover.

Please consider the symbolism of planting trees in a desert. Its unexpected, gives us hope, and the promise of protection from sun and bad weather, and a healthier, safer city. Thats worth planning and planting for.

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One of the most valuable long-lasting aspects of memorials are the trees, which provide an ambience of serenity that grows from year to year. Please select the Constitution Ave site for the Desert Storm memorial, making sure to build in existing open space rather than cutting down existing trees, and incorporate even more trees the overall site (at least 30%) so visitors have benches in the shade from which to observe the memorial. Furthermore, memorials are supposed to be peaceful: I hope you're not planning to replicate a desert theme on the National Mall simply because the conflict zone was a desert.

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The National Mall Coalition welcomes the opportunity to provide comments on the environmental and historic preservation review for the Desert Storm War Memorial. The Coalition, founded in 2000, advocates visionary planning for the National Mall to advance the legacy of the 1791 L'Enfant Plan and 1902 McMillan Plans into the 21st century and beyond.

The June 19, 2017 PowerPoint presentation for the Section 106 process for this Memorial states that Congress has authorized a site in Area I, the land immediately surrounding the "Reserve" core area of the Mall. The two sites now under consideration, both in Area I, include the Memorial Circle Area near the entrance to Arlington Cemetery and the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area north of the Lincoln Memorial. The presentation materials state that for this project NCPC will deviate from existing Environmental and Historic Preservation Procedures, which requires separate NEPA and Section 106 processes for site selection and the design of the memorial.

We have several questions and concerns we would like to see answered in the EA and as part of the environmental and historic preservation review.

First, while Congress has authorized a site in Area I, we believe that additional alternative sites outside Area I should also be considered as part of site review. What is the significance of the Desert Storm conflict in the larger scope of American history? How will the placement and size of the memorial be commensurate with the significance of that conflict's significance to American democracy and to the American story told by the existing memorials, monuments, and museums in the Nation's Capital?

In evaluating the proposed as well as alternative sites, we believe that consideration should be given to developing one or more war memorial cluster sites. We are in a period when we can expect continuing calls for monuments to commemorate all the recent wars and/or conflicts that the country is fighting. In recent days, for example, Congress has begun the process to authorize a monument to the Global War on Terror. As recent history shows, sponsors will want a site as close as possible to the National Mall. The National Mall Coalition is concerned that the proliferation of proposed war monuments will result in

Area I soon being filled, leaving no prominent sites for future generations to tell their story. We urge the National Capital Planning Commission and the National Park Service to use this EA review for the Desert Storm Memorial to develop a site or series of sites near Arlington National Cemetery where memorials for lesser conflicts or wars (not on the scale of a "world" war) can be clustered together in meaningful ways.

Second, we are seriously concerned that back-to-back scoping for the site and design will circumvent the role that site analysis must have in providing environmental guidelines for any memorial design. In fact, the Desert Storm Memorial sponsor's website https://www.ndswm.org/ indicates that a memorial design already been selected - without any reference to design or environmental guidelines at all. Furthermore, as mentioned above, site selection is about more than real estate, it is about locating the Memorial in a meaningful relationship to the design symbolism of the iconic and lesser monuments and museums in the Nation's Capital. The size, scale, and meaning of the Memorial design should be fully dependent on its relationship to that symbolic context. If Section 106 and NEPA are to have any meaningful role in this Memorial building process, then a full vetting of sites, and public comment on that process, must be completed before any design development and review can reasonably begin. We urge NCPC to complete the public site review environmental and historic preservation process first and separately from any design review.

Finally, the desire of the Desert Storm War Memorial sponsors to choose a site in Area I forces us once again to recognize a simple truth: the "traditional" original NPS-defined Mall is "completed" and new sites are needed that will in effect expand the Mall to allow an orderly and meaningful expansion of the American story told there. The current practice of memorial building allows new memorials to be located on available public land without reference to any larger overall design or symbolic framework such as the 1791 L'Enfant Plan and the 1902 McMillan Commission Plan that established and expanded the brilliant design of the National Mall over two centuries. We need an updated visionary plan for the 21st century that can bring order to the memorial building process. Without such a visionary framework we are gradually altering and destroying the legacy of the two historic visionary plans. The National Mall Coalition urges the NCPC, the Commission of Fine Arts, and the NPS to join our call for the creation of the next McMillan Commission Plan.

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Matthew Flis Urban Planner Urban Design & Plan Review Division National Capital Planning Commission

RE: National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial Site Selection

Dear Matthew Flis,

Casey Trees is a Washington, DC-based nonprofit with a mission to restore, enhance, and protect the tree canopy of the nations capital. To fulfill this mission, we plant trees; monitor the citys tree canopy; and work with decision makers, developers, and residents to encourage tree planting and protection on both public and private property. We are dedicated to helping the District reach its 40 percent tree canopy goal by 2032. As a city, we will achieve this goal when designs achieve a net gain in tree canopy. We are excited to work with the National Park Service (NPS) and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) to ensure that trees are prioritized in the design of the National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial (the Memorial).

The two sites proposed for the Memorial are the Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island (Site 1) and the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street, NW (Site 2). Both locations showcase healthy, mature trees which provide shade, manage stormwater, and attract local wildlife. Designing a memorial that incorporates and preserves these trees will help the District achieve its environmental goals and enhance the visitor experience.

After analyzing the site, we urge NPS and NCPC to consider the following:

1.Select the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area as the home for the memorial. Site 2 has less tree canopy and more open space than Site 1, which will allow NPS and NCPC to preserve all trees around the future memorial (Figures 1 & 2).

2.Adopt a 30% tree canopy goal: Tree canopy currently shades approximately 30% of Site 2. We recommend protecting trees and/or planting new trees to maintain this 30% tree canopy.

3.Build the memorial in open space: To protect the existing trees at Site 2, build the memorial in the estimated 70,000 square feet of open space to the south, west, and east of existing trees (Figure 3).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Casey Trees would be happy to work with you to provide tree-related analyses for the National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial Site. If you have any questions about these recommendations, please feel free to contact me at ktaddei@caseytrees.org.

Sincerely,

Kristin Taddei

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Glenn DeMarr Attn: Desert Storm War Memorial EA National Park Service National Capital Region 1100 Ohio Drive SW Washington, DC 20242

Subject: DC Water Comments on National Desert Storm War Memorial Site Selection Environmental Assessment Scoping Coordination with Potomac River Tunnel Project

Dear Mr. DeMarr,

The District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DC Water) submits the following comments in response to the National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) Environmental Assessment Site Selection Scoping Notice, dated June 21, 2017:

DC Water is in the process of implementing its Combined Sewer System Long Term Control Plan (LTCP), also known as the DC Clean Rivers Project. The purpose of this project is to control combined sewer overflows (CSOs) into the District's waterways and to bring them into compliance with the water quality standards in the District. The project will improve water quality and reduce trash in the District's receiving waterbodies through the reduction of untreated discharges from the combined sewer system. The project is required by the 2005 Federal Consent Decree entered into by DC Water, the District

of Columbia, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as amended on January 14, 2016.

The Potomac River Tunnel Project is a major component of DC Water's LTCP, consisting of the implementation of controls for existing CSO outfalls along the Potomac River. The project consists of construction of a deep storage/conveyance tunnel and supporting infrastructure, including drop shafts, ventilation control structures, overflow structures, and diversion facilities to redirect CSOs from the existing combined sewer system to the storage tunnel when the capacity of the existing system is exceeded during storms. DC Water, as co-lead agency with the National Park Service (NPS), is currently conducting National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance for the Potomac River Tunnel Project.

One of the sites under consideration for the NDSWM, referred to in the NDSWM scoping materials as the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area (the Site), is also being evaluated as a potential mining and/or diversion site for the Potomac River Tunnel. NDSWM and DC Water staff have held several meetings to discuss potential coordination opportunities and/or issues between the two projects.

If selected by the Potomac River Tunnel Project for mining, the Site would be used to construct a deep shaft, lower and launch the tunnel boring machine, remove excavated materials, deliver concrete tunnel liner segments, and store materials and equipment in support of tunneling operations. Approximately five (5) acres are preferred for the structures and adjacent staging area necessary to construct the tunnel, which would be occupied for approximately five to seven years. Based on coordination with the NDSWM team, it appears that construction of the memorial as currently envisioned by the NDSWM team presents serious challenges to the feasibility of utilizing the Site for mining. The area available for construction staging would be substantially reduced, and the limited remaining area would envelope an active war memorial, with construction activities having a more pronounced impact on the then-NPS-owned memorial. Should the memorial be constructed at the Site without significant design modifications or reduction in scope from that envisioned by the NDSWM team, the Potomac River Tunnel would need to be mined from a different site.

In order for mining from the Site to remain feasible, a minimum of three and a half (3.5) acres of contiguous construction staging area would need to be available for the Potomac River Tunnel Project. The NDSWM would need to constructed as near as practicable to the northeast corner of the property (near the intersection of 23rd Street NW and Constitution Avenue NW). In addition, a reduction in the size of the memorial from that currently envisioned by the NDSWM team may be necessary.

It appears that construction of the CSO 020 diversion structure at the Site, which requires significantly less construction staging area than tunnel mining, would remain feasible should the memorial be constructed as envisioned by the NDSWM team. This diversion structure could potentially be accelerated and constructed prior to the memorial, constructed simultaneously with the memorial (similar to the approach currently being utilized for DC Water's CSO 021 Diversion Facilities Project and the Kennedy Center Expansion Project), or constructed along with the rest of the Potomac River Tunnel Project after the memorial has been established. In either scenario, a separate construction staging area would have to be established at another location for tunnel mining.

We are very supportive of the current efforts to honor our nation's veterans, and we look forward to continued collaboration as we implement our federally mandated projects to substantially improve conditions within the District's waterways. We would be happy to meet at your convenience to discuss this subject in further detail. As always, should you have any questions or wish to otherwise discuss the project, please do not hesitate to contact me at moussa.wone@dcwater.com or 202-787-4729.

Sincerely,

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July 24, 2017 Glenn DeMarr National Park Service National Capital Region 1100 Ohio Drive SW Washington, D.C. 20242 Attn: Desert Storm War Memorial EA SUBJECT: Comments on the National Desert Storm War Memorial Site Selection Dear Mr. DeMarr: The Committee of 100 on the Federal City is pleased to present these initial comments on the Site Selection for the National Desert Storm War Memorial. The National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) Association, in cooperation with the National Park Service, is proposing to construct a memorial to those who served in support of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm. This Site Selection process is the first step in locating and designing the Memorial. Two sites for the Desert Storm Memorial are being considered: Site 1 is the Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island and Site 2 is the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW. Both of these sites are in the District of Columbia.

Committee of 100 members attended the scoping meeting held by the National Park Service on Wednesday, July 12; viewed the National Capital Planning Commission discussion of the sites on Thursday, July 13; attended the Commission of Fine Arts meeting on Thursday, July 20 where the site issue was discussed; and have reviewed the material that is now on line on the National Park

Service PEPC website. From the presentations and discussions at these meetings and review of the information online, we believe that both sites have pluses and minuses.

Site Number 1, the Memorial Circle Area, has several plus factors. It is near Arlington National Cemetery, it is reasonably close to the Arlington Cemetery Metro Station and it is above the floodplain. It also has some negative factors. The site is surrounded by opposite lanes of the George Washington Memorial Parkway. This could make pedestrian access to the site difficult and even dangerous. There is also considerable traffic noise along the Parkway and at the traffic circle.

factors. It is a more prominent location--in the Monumental Core and just north of the Lincoln Memorial. It is near other war memorials (Vietnam, Korea, World War II and the District of Columbia World War Memorial). It is accessible from the Foggy Bottom-GWU-Kennedy Center Metro Station to the north, though requiring a considerable walk. It is an area where many visitors and residents come to experience the National Mall and the major memorials, especially the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument.

The site is just west of the "Reserve" where no new memorials can be constructed (23rd Street, NW is the western limit of the Reserve in this area). The site of the proposed Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitors Center is also just east across 23rd Street from the proposed site of the National Desert Storm War Memorial. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitors Center has been approved and fund raising is underway. This Visitors Center will be underground.

There are negative factors that need to be considered for Site Number 2. Much of the site is below the 500-year floodplain and, depending where the memorial is located, a dike, flood wall or site elevation may be required. DC Water has proposed a "drop shaft "on the site, though not at the location where the memorial would most likely be placed. Finally, there is highway noise from traffic in route to I-66 (over the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge) and to the Arlington Memorial Bridge.

After review of these two sites, and the pluses and minuses for each site, the Committee of 100 believes that Site Number 2 is the better site for this memorial. We understand that the sponsor of the Memorial, the National Desert Storm Memorial Association, favors this site. The location on the National Mall near other memorials is a key factor.

Although this is just the site selection phase, we note our belief that the Memorial design should not detract from the Lincoln Memorial to the south. We understand that the sponsors are thinking about a relatively low memorial, somewhat separated from the adjacent area. If Site 2 is selected, additional studies of views of the Memorial from adjacent areas, and views out of the Memorial, will be needed. In addition, if Site 2 is selected, we urge the National Park Service and the National Capital Planning Commission to give careful attention, from the start, to visitor information needs and visitor service needs (restrooms, etc.) in this overall area north of the Lincoln Memorial.

The problem of the "maze" or "spaghetti" pattern of roads just north of the site was discussed at both the National Capital Planning Commission meeting on July 13 and at the Commission of Fine Arts meeting on July 20. We note that the National Capital Planning Commission's Monumental Core Plan (2009) called for study of improved connections between the Kennedy Center and the Monumental Core, including the area now proposed for this Memorial. We hope that the National Capital Planning Commission, the Commission of Fine Arts, and the District Office of Planning and Department of Transportation will use this as an opportunity for looking at the bigger transportation and land use issues in this broader area.

Finally, we note the discussion at the Commission of Fine Arts meeting on July 20 that perhaps a smaller memorial for the Desert Storm Memorial might be considered and that such a memorial might be located in another area of the city. This subject is to be discussed further at the September meeting of the Commission of Fine Arts.

In 2001, the National Capital Planning Commission, in cooperation with Joint Memorial Task Force, published the Memorials and Museums Master Plan. That "2M Plan" led to the creation of the "Reserve" covering much of the National Mall, where no new memorials can be built. In addition, the 2M Plan identified 100 potential sites for future memorials and museums throughout Washington, DC and Virginia.

We will have to wait to see if there is further discussion of alternative sites for this memorial. For now, we are limiting our comments to the two sites that have been outlined for consideration. As indicated previously, of the two sites, we believe that Site 2 is the better site for this memorial. The Committee of 100 on the Federal City appreciates the opportunity to present these initial comments on this memorial. We look forward to the next steps with the location and design of the National Desert Storm War Memorial.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen A. Hansen Chair

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July 24, 2017 Attn: Desert Storm War Memorial EA National Park Service National Capital Region 1100 Ohio Drive SW Washington, DC 20242 Re: National Desert Storm War Memorial Environmental Assessment -Site Selection Scoping Comments Dear Mr. DeMarr: The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) appreciates the opportunity to provide scoping

comments for the site selection of the proposed National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) as part of the National Park Service's (NPS) NDSWM Environmental Assessment (EA) process. DDOT understands this initial scoping period relates to the site selection of the proposed memorial and that once a site has been selected, more details of the design of the memorial will be available for review and comment in a second scoping period.

The location and potential impacts of the memorial on the surrounding multi-modal transportation network, as well as traffic operations, parking, and pedestrian/bicycle circulation are of particular interest to DDOT. As such, DDOT Planning and Sustainability Division (PSD) requests that NPS set up a Comprehensive Transportation Review (CTR) scoping meeting as soon as possible to discuss any potential changes or impacts to the transportation network and whether a CTR will need to be conducted for the project. Please reach out to Mr. Aaron Zimmerman at aaron.zimmerman@dc.gov and (202)671-2356 to set up this meeting.

Additionally, DDOT offers the following site-specific comments at this time:

Memorial Circle Area Site

• The site overlays a major pedestrian/bicycle route and an un-signalized pedestrian/bicycle crossing of an arterial roadway (Washington Boulevard). The design should factor in

improvements to these facilities to safely accommodate visitors;

- The site should consider bicycle parking and the addition of a Capital Bikeshare station;
- The site has no curbside loading/unloading due to the high speed, uncontrolled flow of the adjacent roadways;

• Tour bus access and disabled parking cannot be accommodated directly at or adjacent to the proposed site without adding impervious surface; and

• If this site is selected, the NDSWM EA should coordinate with the ongoing Memorial Circle EA.

Constitution Avenue Site

• The site has existing signalized pedestrian/bicycle access across 23rd Street (both at Constitution Avenue and Lincoln Circle) and connectivity to existing generators. There are un-signalized crossings for pedestrians and bicycles traveling to/from points west on Ohio Drive and Ohio Drive to Lincoln Circle. The design should factor in improvements to the Ohio Drive crossings to safely accommodate visitors;

• The site should consider bicycle parking and the addition of a Capital Bikeshare station;

• The site has no curbside loading/unloading areas;

• The Constitution Avenue site has curb access for tour buses on Constitution Avenue between 23rd and 22nd Street and on Henry Bacon Drive. Opportunities exist to extend the existing bus loading area and relocate metered and disabled parking to Henry Bacon Drive; and

• The site overlays a multi-use trail that connects to the Roosevelt Bridge. If this site is selected, the EA should consider the impacts to that facility, connections to the Rock Creek Trail, and connections to the Roosevelt Bridge.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the site selection of the proposed memorial. DDOT looks forward to continued coordination with NPS. Please contact Mr. Stephen Plano at (202) 671-2227 or stephen.plano@dc.gov with any questions.

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IN REPLY REFER TO: NCPC FILE No. 7745 July 24, 2017 Mr. Glenn DeMarr National Park Service 1100 Ohio Drive, SW Washington, DC 20242 Re: Comments on Scoping for National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial Site Selection Dear Mr. DeMarr:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide scoping comments on the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial, and for working with the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) staff early in the process. Public Law 113-291 authorizes the establishment of the commemorative work in accordance with the Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 8901 et seq.) which defines approval requirements related to the location, design and construction of such works in the District of Columbia and its environs. Further, as a project authorized under the Commemorative Works Act (CWA), NCPC will approve the site and design. Therefore, NCPC seeks Cooperating Agency status for this project.

The National Park Service (NPS) and the sponsor have identified two potential sites - the Memorial Circle Area and the Constitution A venue Terminus. Both site are located within Area I as defined by the CW A. Furthermore, we understand that this scoping period pertains to the evaluation of sites only. An additional scoping period will be held for memorial design alternatives, after a preferred site is selected.

The National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial will be submitted to NCPC for review and approval, and NCPC will

rely on the EA to fulfill its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) responsibility. NCPC staff therefore submits the following scoping comments, which have been prepared in accordance with NCPC's Environmental and Historic Preservation Procedures and reflect the information that NCPC will require to approval the project.

#### NCPC Actions

As you may be aware, NCPC approved comments on the site selection for the proposed monument at its July 13, 2017 meeting:

Regarding the Constitution Avenue site:

Finds the Constitution A venue site provides a pedestrian-accessible location in close proximity to the National Mall, along with a strong thematic connection to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Recommends the proposed memorial design consider how the reestablishment of Constitution A venue and reconfiguration of the surrounding transportation network could be accommodated in the future.

Notes that several major infrastructure projects are proposed for the Constitution Avenue site that may impact the memorial design, including the DC Water Potomac River Tunnel and Army Corps of Engineers Potomac Park Levee; and therefore Requests that NPS and the sponsor work with the appropriate agencies to identify any constraints or coordination necessary for the Constitution A venue site; and further provide that information to the Commission as part of the next submission.

#### Regarding the Memorial Circle site:

Finds the Memorial Circle site provides a thematic connection to Arlington National Cemetery and other nearby military memorials, but is currently challenged by pedestrian -vehicular conflicts.

Recommends the proposed memorial design consider modifications to the surrounding transportation network to improve pedestrian accessibility.

Notes the site is located between the travel lanes of the George Washington Parkway and Washington Boulevard, and the adjacent road network may detract from a contemplative and safe environment necessary for a successful memorial. Regarding both sites:

Notes both sites are located in important historic and cultural landscapes, including the foreground to Arlington National Cemetery and the setting of the Lincoln Memorial; and therefore any proposed commemoration should minimize visual impacts to those landscapes and associated views.

Requests that the applicant develop one or more alternative design concepts for both sites, including variations in scale, placement and orientation. The next submission should provide details about the physical relationship of the monument to the surrounding context, including access and preservation of historic landscapes, and provide information about program needs at each site.

#### Historic and Cultural Resources

Staff requests that following historic resource topics be analyzed in the environmental document:

• Effects to surrounding historic properties, including but not limited to, the Lincoln Memorial, Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway, East and West Potomac Parks, Lady Bird Johnson Park, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Arlington Memorial Bridge, Arlington National Cemetery and Arlington House.

• For the Constitution A venue terminus site, we request that the EA include a visual analysis, with photo-simulations from multiple locations, including Constitution Avenue, Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway, and the Lincoln Memorial. We request that NPS coordinate with NCPC and the District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office (DC SHPO) on the best locations for photo-simulations.

• For the Memorial Circle area site, we request that the EA include a visual analysis, with photo-simulations from multiple locations near Memorial Circle, the George Washington Memorial Parkway, Arlington House as well as the Lincoln Memorial. Further, we request that NPS coordinate with NCPC, the DC SHPO, as well as the Virginia State Historic Preservation Office on the best locations for photo-simulations.

#### **Transportation Systems**

Both proposed sites are located in areas with challenges for vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic. The proposed monument may have an impact on these existing systems, both during construction, as well as after installation. As such, NCPC requests

that the environmental document analyze short and long-term impacts to pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular circulation, including access and safety.

#### Natural Resources and Sustainability

Several environmental topics should be analyzed in the EA. These include changes in vegetation and tree canopy; stormwater runoff and management, including both federal and local requirements; flooding; impervious surfaces; energy use; and impacts from construction, including noise and air quality. An analysis of utility infrastructure, both existing and anticipated, should also be performed.

#### NCPC Plans and Policies

Federal actions in the region should conform to the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital. Therefore, we request that the EA include an evaluation of each alternative's consistency with the policies and objectives of the Plan, particularly the Urban Design, Historic Preservation, Environment, Transportation and Park and Open Space Elements. All sites should also be evaluated against the Memorials and Museums Master Plan. Further, the Constitution A venue site is located within the study area of the Monumental Core Framework Plan, and the EA should evaluate that site against the goals and recommendations of that plan.

#### Alternatives

NCPC supports the development of multiple design alternatives on the sites to achieve the purpose and need. In general, examination of multiple alternatives is a useful tool to address issues and achieve a successful design solution. As noted in the Commission action, variations in scale, placement and orientation should be considered. Additional information regarding programming and the area requirements will also be necessary as alternative designs are developed.

#### Coordination

To ensure a full and proper analysis of the proposed project, NCPC staff requests that NPS and the Foundation coordinate the preparation of the EA with the District of Columbia government, Arlington National Cemetery and Arlington County government, where appropriate. As noted in the Commission action, additional coordination will be necessary with the Army Corps of Engineers and DC Water regarding the Constitution Avenue site. NCPC staff also recommends NPS coordinate the project with other on-going projects and planning studies, including those for the Kennedy Center Expansion, George Washington Memorial Parkway - Memorial Avenue intersection study, Arlington Memorial Bridge Rehabilitation and Vietnam Veterans Memorial Visitor Center.

NCPC staff appreciates the opportunity to participate in the scoping stage and we look forward to continued involvement in the process and the project. If you have any questions regarding our comments, please contact Matthew Flis at 202.482.7236 or matlhew.flisrmncpc.gov.

Sincerely,

Diane Sullivan, Director Urban Design and Plan Review Division

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# **Correspondence Text**

Mr. Glenn DeMarr
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Re: Scoping for an Environmental Assessment for the National Desert Storm War Memorial Site Selection, Washington D.C.

Official Rep.

Dear Mr. DeMarr:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responding to the request for scoping recommendations for the Environmental Assessment (EA) planned by the National Park Service (NPS) for the National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM) Site.

The purpose of this preliminary scoping period is to seek public input on two sites selected for consideration for the NDSWM: the Memorial Circle Area at George Washington Memorial Parkway on Columbia Island and the Constitution Avenue Terminus Area near 23rd Street NW. Though no map is provided regarding the exact location of the proposed sites for the memorial, it appears that the Memorial Circle area would be less accessible by foot traffic. Additionally, both sights appear to be vegetated with grass, creating opportunities for environmental uplift through re-vegetation in appropriate locations. It is recommended that the EA highlight the purpose and need, alternatives analyzed, direct, secondary and cumulative impacts to natural and the human environment, and avoidance, minimization and mitigation of adverse impacts to resources. Also, air quality, nearby communities including identification of environmental justice populations maybe important to be evaluated and any potential adverse impacts minimized. Please explain in the NEPA document if other alternatives were considered but dismissed and the reasoning for those decisions. General recommendations to consider are included in the enclosed Technical Comments.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide scoping comments for this project. Please feel free to coordinate with EPA during development of the NEPA study. If you have questions, the contact for this project is Nora Theodore; she can be reached at 215-814-2 728 or theodore.nora@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Barbara Rudnick NEPA Team Leader Office of Environmental Programs

Technical Comments Scoping NEPA for National Desert Storm War Memorial

#### Purpose and Need

Since the range of alternatives evaluated is defined by the purpose and need for the project, it is important that the purpose and need be clearly identified in the EA. The purpose or objective of the proposal should be defined in relationship to the need for the action. Therefore, the need for the action should identify and describe the underlying problem or deficiency; facts and analyses supporting the problem or deficiency in the particular location at the particular time should be specified; and the context or perspective of the agency mission in relation to the need for action should be stated.

#### Alternatives Analysis

#### As described in the regulations for the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) ( 40 CFR

§ 1502.14), the examination and comparison of the alternatives under consideration is the heart of the environmental document. It is through this comparison that the lead agency is able to incorporate agency and public input to make informed decisions with regard to the merits of the project and the advantages and disadvantages of each of the alternatives being studied. Consequently, the CEQ regulations require that the details of each alternative, including the "no action" alternative be clearly presented in a comparative form for easy analysis by the reader. The rationale for the selection of the preferred alternative should be clearly stated in the analysis. For those alternatives that are eliminated from consideration, the reasons for their elimination should be given.

#### Land Use

The project area should be described in detail and quantified, specifying the type and acreage of land impacted as well as a description of the existing buildings on the site including their current and past use. Discuss any permits required before commencement of the project. In addition to NEPA, other laws, regulations, permits, licenses and Executive Orders may be applicable to the Proposed Action. A summary of applicable regulatory requirements and approvals with which the Proposed Action must demonstrate compliance should be discussed in the EA.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMP ACTS

The EA should examine the potential direct and indirect impacts of the project on the environment. In addition, mitigation measures for any adverse environmental impacts should be described.

To assist in exploring resource impacts for sites, the NEPA reviewer is referred to EPA's NEPAssist tool at https://www.epa.gov/nepa/nepassist. (NEPAssist is a tool that facilitates the environmental review process and project planning in relation to environmental considerations. The web-based application draws environmental data dynamically from EPA Geographic Information System databases and web services and provides immediate screening of environmental assessment indicators for a user-defined area of interest. These features contribute to a streamlined review process that potentially raises important environmental issues at the earlier stages of project development.) The NEPA reviewer can also refer to EPA's Environfacts tool at https://www3.epa.gov/enviro/. (Environfacts is a one-stop source for Environmental Information).

#### Air Resources

Attainment/Non-attainment: EPA, under the requirements of the 1970 Clean Air Act (CAA) as amended in 1977 and 1990, has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for six contaminants, referred to as criteria pollutants ( 40 CFR 50). These are: ozone (03), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide (NO2), particulate matter (PM), lead (Pb), and sulfur dioxide (SO2). Particulate matter is divided into two classes, coarse particulate matter (PMI 0), i.e. particulates between 2.5 and 10 microns in diameter, and fine particulate matter (PM 2.5), i.e., particles less than 2.5 microns in diameter. The NAAQS include primary and secondary standards. The primary standards were established at levels sufficient to protect public health with an adequate margin of safety. The secondary standards were established to protect the public welfare from the adverse effects associated with pollutants in the ambient air. The Clean Air Act mandates that state agencies adopt State Implementation Plans (SIPs) that target the elimination or reduction of the severity and number of violations of the NAAQS. The EA should identify areas that meet the NAAQS standard for a criteria pollutant as well as those areas where a criteria pollutant level exceeds the NAAQS.

Conformity Analysis: A general conformity rule analysis should be conducted according to the guidance provided by the EPA in Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans. Under the general conformity rule, reasonably foreseeable emissions associated with all operational and construction activities, both direct and indirect, must be quantified and compared to the annual de rninimis levels for those pollutants in nonattainment for that area. Noise (and Vibration): The results of noise studies in the project area should be summarized in the EA. Noise mitigation measures should be implemented during renovation, demolition and/or construction.

#### Water Resources

We recommend all water quality issues including surface water, groundwater, drinking water, stormwater management, wastewater management, wetlands and watersheds be addressed. Any existing and/or ongoing impact to water resources that have resulted from the current trail network or any additional crossings that may occur as a result of the new trail system should also be identified and explained. NEP Assist can also be used to identify if there are any impaired waters located near the site.

Groundwater: We recommend that the principal aquifers in the region be identified and described. All wells, both public and private, that could potentially be affected by the project should be identified. Areas of groundwater recharge in the vicinity should also be identified and any potential impacts from the proposed action examined.

Swface Water Resources: The EA should outline measures to protect surface waters. The aquatic ecosystem must be evaluated carefully and include a detailed discussion of runoff, sediment and erosion control measures. Such mitigation measures should address both short term construction impacts and long term project impacts.

Chesapeake Bay Watershed: Chesapeake Bay Executive Order 13508, Protecting and Restoring a National Treasure, tasked a team of federal agencies to draft a way forward for protection and restoration of the Chesapeake watershed. This team, the Federal Leadership Committee for the Chesapeake Bay, developed the Strategy for Protecting and Restoring the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. This strategy sets out clear and aggressive goals, outcomes, and objectives to be accomplished through 2025 by the federal government, working closely with state, local, and nongovernmental partners, to protect and restore the health of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. The strategy deepens the federal commitment to the Chesapeake region, with agencies dedicating resources, targeting actions where they can have the most impact, ensuring that federal lands and facilities lead by example in environmental stewardship and taking a comprehensive, ecosystem-wide approach to restoration. We recommend NPS discuss in the EA the project's impact or relation to the goals of the EO.

Wetlands: Wetlands present on, or immediately surrounding the site should be delineated according to the 1987 Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands. Impacts to wetlands should be avoided or minimized whenever possible. The total size of the wetlands should be provided, in addition to the size of the wetland in the study area and size of the direct impact. The EA should analyze the size and functional values of all impacted wetlands and develop a mitigation plan for their replacement. Even if wetlands are not present on the site, please provide information for any nearby resource.

Stormwater Management/Low Impact Development (LID): Stormwater runoff in urban and developing areas is one of the leading sources of water pollution in the United States. In recognition of this issue, Congress enacted Section 438 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA) to require federal agencies to reduce stormwater runoff from federal development projects to protect water resources. EPA published Technical Guidance on Implementing the Stormwater Runoff Requirements for Federal Projects under Section 438 of the Energy Independence and Security Act. It is recommended that trail design incorporate features to minimize runoff and consider potential retrofit for any areas that would benefit from LID.

#### Physiography

The physical and natural resources of the project area should be described including physiographic provinces, topography, climate and geologic setting. Soils at the project should be outlined. Distribution and classification of soils within the study area, and the major soil types found at the project site should be described.

#### **Terrestrial Resources**

The EA should provide a description of the terrestrial habitat resources in the study area. Complete species lists for mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles, and plants present in the study area are recommended. The composition and characteristics of each community type should be summarized and the functions and total acreage indicated.

#### Socioeconomics

Discussion of the socioeconomic and cultural status of the area, including the number of people, employees and/or jobs impacted as a result of the proposed project, even if these impacts may be minor, is useful to the EA analysis. The EA should address the decrease or increase of people/employees/jobs in relation to its effect on tax base, local housing, job markets, schools, utilities, businesses, etc.

#### **Cumulative Impacts**

Cumulative impacts can result from individually minor, but collectively significant, actions taking place over a period of time. The Council on Environmental Quality in 40 CFR 1508.7 defines cumulative impacts as "impacts on the environment which result from the incremental impact of the action when added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions regardless of what agency (federal or non-federal) or person undertakes such other actions." Therefore, a cumulative impacts assessment should be an integral part of the EA for the proposed action.

#### Traffic and Transportation

The EA should address traffic and transportation as it relates to the Proposed Action. It may be necessary to provide an evaluation of existing roads specifying existing levels of service at major intersections near the project area as well as accident data. The EA should discuss existing and proposed public transportation to the area under consideration and provide estimates of expected usage. Increased demand on parking should also be considered.

#### **Environmental Justice**

Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, directs each federal agency to incorporate environmental justice into its mission and activities by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations .... " The Executive Order also explicitly called for the application of equal consideration for Native American programs. The EA should identify Environmental Justice (EJ) communities in the study area and discuss potential impacts that the Proposed Action may have on these communities, if any.

To assist in this effort, EPA has developed a new environmental justice (EJ) mapping and screening tool called EJSCREEN. It is based on nationally consistent data and an approach that combines environmental and demographic indicators in maps and reports. It can be accessed at: https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen. Additionally, please consider referring to "Promising Practices for EJ Methodologies in NEPA Reviews": https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/ej-iwg-promisingpractices-ej-methodologies-nepa-reviews

#### Cultural Resources

The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended through 2006, directs federal agencies to integrate historic preservation into all activities which either directly or indirectly involve land use decisions. This is to ensure federal leadership in the preservation of prehistoric and historic resources of the United States. Before approving or carrying out a federal, federally assisted, or federally licensed undertaking, Section 106 of the NHPA requires federal agencies to take into consideration the impact that the action may have on historic properties which are included on, or are eligible for inclusion on, the National Register of Historic Places. Cooperation with the District of Columbia Office of Planning, DC SHPO, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, throughout the process is encouraged.

#### **Distribution List**

An EA should include a Distribution List of agencies, organizations, and persons to whom copies of the document were sent as indicated in 40 CFR § 1502.10 under "Recommended format" and § 1502.19. A Distribution List identifies those parties who have been given the opportunity to comment and reveals that those not included on the list may need to be given the EA for review. This information is helpful to ensuring all necessary parties are given the opportunity to review and provide input to the impacts of the proposed action.

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# **Correspondence Text**

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#### SUBJECT: VCS SUPPORTS NATIONAL MALL SITE FOR NATIONAL DESERT STORM WAR MEMORIAL

Dear Mr. DeMarr,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment to the National Park Service regarding the siting of the National Desert Storm War Memorial.

Veterans for Common Sense (VCS), a national veterans service and advocacy organization founded and led primarily by veterans of the 1991 Gulf War, is in strong support of the National Desert Storm War Memorial (NDSWM). We have been and remain strongly supportive of the creation of the NDSWM and its siting on the National Mall within Area I as defined under the Commemorative Works Act, and we were pleased to provide additional advocacy in support of others' efforts to advance the authorizing legislation.

We understand that the purpose of this first scoping period is to select the site for the Memorial, that the National Desert Storm War Memorial Association

(NDSWMA) will be responsible for the design and the construction of the Memorial at the selected site, and that the NPS will be responsible for its longterm maintenance.

VCS is in strong support of siting the NDSWM at the proposed site just to the northeast of the Lincoln Memorial at the "Constitution Avenue Terminus Area" within Area I of the National Mall, and near the terminus of Constitution Avenue and 23rd Street Northwest, Washington, DC.

This preferred site is in close proximity to and would have a thematic nexus with the nation's other 20th Century war Correspondences - National Desert Storm and Desert Shield Memorial - PEPC ID: 62216

memorials, including the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall), the future site of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Center, the Vietnam Womens' Memorial, Three Servicemen, and the Korean War Veterans Memorial - all of which are just to the west of the World War II Memorial. This siting would heighten visibility, and would be within easy pedestrian and other access to and from other nearby attractions. We hope that the "Minor challenges in terms of resiliency due to floodplain location are being addressed by the Army Corps of Engineers" noted by the NPS in its presentation materials for today's scoping meeting.

We also understand that design issues will be open for public comment during the second scoping period to be held this Fall, at which time we may have further comments. We understand current proposals include both recognition of the veterans who, like us, fought in this war, and the historical and geopolitical significance of the 1991 Gulf War, also known as the Persian Gulf War and Operation Desert Storm - the initial war in the broader Gulf War that continues under the law to a date as yet to be determined.

We strongly concur with the design parameter in today's presentation materials that suggests the NDSWM should, "serve as more than a stand-alone object and provide a place of reflection." Having fought for the last more than two decades for the veterans of this war, we have deep ties to our fellow Gulf War veterans and a deep understanding of the post-war experience of many of them.

This week, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) released an investigative report that states that 44 percent of the approximately 697,000 veterans of the 1991 Gulf War suffer from Gulf War Illness - "a cluster of chronic symptoms that can include fatigue, headaches, joint pain, indigestion, insomnia, respiratory disorders, skin problems, and memory impairment."1 This Thursday, July 13, VCS is scheduled to testify before Congress on these Gulf War Illness issues, including a GAO-identified 87 percent rate of denial by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) of Gulf War veterans' VA disability claims for Gulf War Illness.

For hundreds of thousands of Desert Storm veterans, their 1991 wartime experiences in Operation Desert Storm were only the beginning of their lifelong battle to regain their health and to receive the VA benefits they earned but have been repeatedly denied. Science has now shown that Gulf War Illness resulted from a combination of 1991 Gulf War toxic exposures, as shown in major reports by the VA Research Advisory Committee on Gutf War Veterans' Illnesses (RAC)2 and the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.3

Given this overarching experience directly stemming from Gutf War veterans' Desert Storm service, we look forward with great anticipation to the next NPS scoping meeting where the NDSWM's design will be discussed. We remain very hopeful that the NDSWMA and NPS will help ensure that this overarching experience of Desert Storm veterans is clearly reflected in the Memoriaf's design and visitors' experience.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance. Again, thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely, Anthony Hardie NATIONAL CHAIR & DIRECTOR Cc: National Desert Storm War Memorial Association National Gulf War Resource Center Vietnam Veterans of America

1U.S. Government Accountability Office, June 2017, Gulf War Illness: Improvements Needed for VA to Better Understand, Process, and Communicate Decisions on Claims (GAO-17-811). Washington, DC: U.S. Government Accountability Office.

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