

CEO'S END OF 2014 LETTER

Fellow Desert Storm Veterans, Families, & Supporters,

2014 has been a VERY trying, yet successful year for the NDSVWM effort and all interested parties!

We have at last succeeded in getting both of our bills passed (HR503/S.995) in both the House of Representatives and the Senate on Friday evening December 12th. Being signed into law by the President is the ONLY remaining step left in this long and challenging legislative process which has lasted over three years. A very special thank you to everyone who supported our efforts through your phone calls, donations, emails, and supportive comments on our Face Book Page. I would especially like to take this opportunity to thank the NDSWM Board of Directors for their dedication, perseverance, and hard work over these past 2 1/2 years. I would also like to thank Randy Schumacher and CSO Architects for all of their tireless efforts, dedication and belief in our project. Of course, this whole effort would never have even been started if not for Congressman Phil Roe (TN-01) and Senators John Boozman (AR) and Joe Donnelly (IN) who introduced the legislation. Thanks also to all of our Congressional Co-Sponsors who helped us gain the much needed momentum to move through Congress. Last but not least, thanks to AMVETS, the American Legion, the VFW, and VII Corps, for their support and belief in our cause! We couldn't have done it without all of you pulling together and making it happen!! THANK YOU!!

Due to the recent passage of S.995 we are embarking on the next phase of this momentous and historic undertaking. We are currently putting in place the infrastructure needed to efficiently and effectively start and complete our efforts to build the memorial. The first issue I need to bring to your attention is the fundraising efforts of our organization. Unfortunately we are just starting our fundraising campaign in earnest. This is due to the fact that we had to have the bills passed first to assure everyone that this memorial was really going to happen. We need your HELP now more than ever! I would like to earnestly ask you all to PLEASE consider making a tax-deductible donation to our 501C3 before the end of 2014. We have an URGENT and IMMEDIATE need for these funds so that we can get up and running ASAP. These funds would help directly with the design process, site selection, along with all of the other expenses(Too numerous to list) involved with building the memorial. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 by December 31st so that we can hit the ground running on January 1st 2015. All donations can be made online through our website: ndswm.org or may be mailed to NDSWM P.O. Box 6488 Springdale, AR 72766. Thank You all in advance for your help and your support!!!

I want to wish you and your families an enjoyable holiday season and a happy and healthy 2015!! I look forward to the journey ahead and making the National Desert Storm Veterans War Memorial something we can all be proud of for generations to come!

Sincerely,

Scott Stump, CEO/President and on behalf of the NDSVWM Board.