



MEMORANDUM

TO: Canaveral Port Authority Board of Commissioners

FROM: Commissioner Wayne Justice

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "WJ", is written over the name "Commissioner Wayne Justice".

DATE: August 24, 2016

SUBJECT: Brevard Veterans Council/Brevard Memorial Center

Please see the attached resolution, RES-2016-012-EXE-3. I would like the Commission to consider passing this at the meeting today for the purpose of sponsoring a maritime area at the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center that would support displays of Port Canaveral and its Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Military Sealift, and Merchant Marine ties and history.

**CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NUMBER RES-2016-012-EXE-3**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE BREVARD VETERAN'S COUNCIL, INC. TO SPONSOR A MARITIME AREA IN THE BREVARD VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CENTER PERMANENTLY DISPLAYING PORT CANAVERAL'S HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND THE SUPPORT OF ALL OF THE BRANCHES OF THE MILITARY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Port Canaveral was dedicated on November 4, 1953, as a deep water port to serve as a gateway for international water borne commerce and to support the national defense; and

WHEREAS, Port Canaveral has deep ties to the military and directly supports the missions of the United States Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the United States Coast Guard, and the Maritime Administration, each of which maintains a presence in Port Canaveral through the operations of the U.S. Army Out Port, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Naval Ordnance Test Unit, Military Sealift Command, the United States Coast Guard Station Port Canaveral, and the Merchant Mariners; and

WHEREAS, the Canaveral Port Authority is authorized by law to promote and publicize port facilities and activities and to cooperate with other agencies, public and private, in accomplishing the goals of making known the attributes of the Port and port facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Brevard Veteran's Council, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which operates the Brevard Veteran's Memorial Center located in Merritt Island, Florida, since 1978, in the Canaveral Port District and which is currently constructing an additional museum building to showcase and educate the public on our military's efforts both past and present to protect our country and way of life; and

WHEREAS, the \$25,000.00 financial support to the Brevard Veteran's Council, Inc. authorized by this Resolution will be used to construct a permanent display of Port Canaveral's contribution to the military and national defense in the maritime area of the new museum building and will specifically serve the continued education of all citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

1. Authorizes a contribution in the amount of \$25,000.00 to the Brevard Veteran's Council, Inc. to be used to construct a permanent display of Port Canaveral's past and present contributions to our nation's military and national defense in the maritime area of the new museum building being constructed in Merritt Island, Florida.
2. Directs the Port staff to work with the staff of the Brevard Veteran's Council, Inc. in the design of the Port Canaveral display and to bring the proposed design back to the Commission for approval.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly adopted this 24th day of August, 2016.

CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY

By: _____
JERRY W. ALLENDER
Chairman

ATTEST:

THOMAS W. WEINBERG
Secretary/Treasurer

DONATIONS

All contributions are tax deductible
Corporate

Platinum: \$10,000/above

Gold: \$5,000/above

Silver: \$2,500/above

Bronze: \$1,000/above

Individual

Platinum: \$2,000/above

Gold: \$1,000/above

Silver: \$500/above

Bronze: \$250/above

Donors of bronze and above support will be recognized on our new Wall of Appreciation.

Major corporate donors at Platinum or Gold level will be recognized with engraved tiles at the edge of our plaza.

Commercial donors, whether in cash or in kind will be advertised in our newsletter and special card racks.

Most importantly, no matter how much you contribute you will be supporting the veterans of Brevard county and showing all who visit the new facility why veterans matter to you.

Contact us

To join us in this effort and to answer any question you may have please contact us at....

Veterans Memorial Center, Inc.

400 S Sykes Creek Pkwy

Merritt Island, FL 32952

(321)453-1776, Fax (321)453-1152

- Call Expansion Chairman *Donn Weaver* 321-613-2403

or

- Ask for our Operations Director *Bob Doyle* at the center.

or

- Visit us any day of the week including weekends from 8:30am (0800) to 4:30pm (1630) and enjoy our FREE facility as well as learn what you can contribute.

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Veterans Memorial Center
or visit

veteransmemorialcenter.org

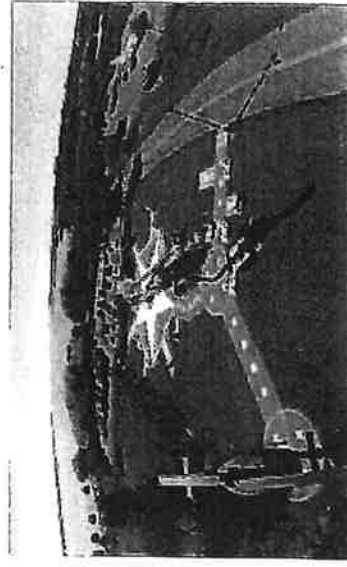
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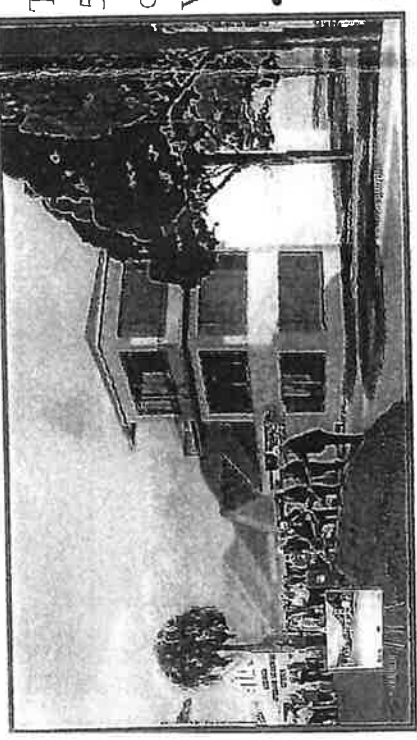
DIFFERENCE



Be part of our largest expansion designed to support veterans and contribute to educating our citizens on what our veterans have done throughout American history.



WHAT WE NEED



While the state of Florida has provided funding for the new museum building, there are finish items, new display cabinets, and upgrades to the old facility required.

Also, while the county provides support and is completing the new Veterans Memorial Park we still need to reach further.

Since our organization is operated by volunteers, we need to rely on corporations, other veterans organizations, and the public for donations, work in kind, material and other requirements for the expansion.

So, please consider donating your time, money, or knowledge to help provide the most enjoyable experience possible for our guests and a tribute to all veterans of Brevard and the entire county.

Anyone with carpentry, painting, maintenance, electrical, windows and doors, cabinetry, glass work, framing and shadow box skills; please contact us.



WHAT WE DO

The Brevard Veterans Memorial Center is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization with one goal in mind... **TO SERVE OUR VETERANS!**

With an amazing array of military artifacts ranging from the Revolutionary War to our current conflicts in the Middle East we strive to educate the public on our military's efforts both past and present in our FREE museum, library, and plaza.

Our DAV Chapter 123 is a nationally recognized group of volunteers here to assist veterans and their families with VA claims and benefits. (over 3,200 Vets served in 2015)

We provide emergency assistance to qualifying veterans.

Our facility is home to many veteran organizations including....

- American Legion
- Fleet Reserve
- Purple Heart Association
- Korean War Veterans Association
- Vietnam Veterans of Brevard

The expansion of the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center is a partnership between the state of Florida, Brevard County, contributing veterans organizations; veteran friendly companies, and individual citizens.

Brevard County is home to more than 70,000 veterans and includes among the highest veterans as a % to population in the United States.

To accomplish our many missions, the more than 500 members of the Veterans Memorial Center seek your assistance in helping this partnership create the best and most supportive veterans center in Florida!