Ms. Julie Gutierrez Assistant City Manager – City of Pasadena 100 North Garfield Avenue, Room S231 Pasadena, California 91109 September 7, 2015

Dear Julie.

We are honored to attach our updated Enduring Heroes Memorial proposal for the City Council's review showing images of the current maquette design. The maquette images have been updated to reflect two revisions to the monument—elimination of the beret and tightening the space between the flag and the figure to address safety concern. We have also updated language to reflect our current status given the significant progress made during various meetings and conversations with City Council members, Commissions, and representatives. These edits are recorded on the following page.

Throughout this application process, our primary objectives and goals have remained consistent with our original letter of intent, dated February 2015, and original proposal of April 2015, as follows:

- Pay permanent honor to our local military heroes, who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in Iraq, Afghanistan and the War on Terror, since 9/11. During the past year, since our proposal was initially discussed with Mayor Bill Bogaard's office, we have reached out and embraced the families of all six of Pasadena, and its neighboring cities, fallen. Each have joined our committee and have fully endorse the memorial project and its design.
- Provide and give Pasadena a significant work of art created by a noted local artist, that will have timeless beauty.
- Enable Pasadena to take a significant leadership role in honoring its fallen, building awareness and gratitude of our Armed Services members.

It has been a tremendous pleasure to work with many members of the City Staff on this Memorial. We received incredible support and guidance, and our Gold Star Families have been treated with the upmost grace, respect and dignity. Truly, at every level, the City of Pasadena has represented the finest, and we look forward to working closely with the City during the licensing, construction, installation and on-going maintenance of the Enduring Heroes Memorial.

Thank you again Julie, and know that it is with great respect that we proceed to City Council on September 28, 2015. Should there be any additional information tor clarity that we can provide prior to the 28th, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kindest Regards,

Shelly Lowe
Enduring Heroes Committee Chair

Rhonda Kozacik Project Manager

CC: Charles Peretz, Parks & Natural Resources Administrator Enrique Arroyo, Management Analyst IV

**PROPOSAL** 

Updated August 27, 2015

Proposal changes included in the Progress Report submitted to the City in advance of the 9/1/ RPC meeting

#### Changes include:

- 3 revised maquette to address safety and design requests, paragraph 1 is new, and text describing the pedestal as a seat was deleted for safety reasons
- 4 changed Title Inscription to "Pasadena remembers..."
- 5 simplified language for Remembrance Inscriptions and changed Title Inscription to "**Pasadena** remembers..."
- 7 Simplified language describing remembrance notes (paragraph 1) and changed paragraph 3 to reflect support from all of the Gold Star families
- 8 New maquette image and new caption to explain that the flag is now moved close to the figure's body (for safety issues)
- 10 New maguette image
- 11 Added text to include Chris Ward's contibutions to safety (paragraph 1)
- 12 Changed language for the Rose Parade paragraph to include response from ToR
- 13 updated status with Pasadena Community Foundation
- 17 updated status of HOA meeting April 2015
- 20 Changed Shelly Lowe's title to "Chair"
- 21 Changed Jaynie Studenmund's title to "Gold Star Mother"
- 22 Updated bios to reflect job title changes
- 26 Added appendix to highlight work completed after submission of proposal review at the 5/5/15 meeting of the RPC Meeting

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#### INSPIRATION

Pasadena lost a genuine patriot on June 9, 2014 when Green Beret Staff Sergeant Scott Studenmund, 24, was tragically killed in combat in Afghanistan. Mayor Bogaard requested all flags to be flown at half-staff for a week. The City Council meeting on June 16 adjourned with a meaningful tribute in honor of Scott with remarks by Mayor Bogaard and Police Chief Sanchez. Each underlined the fact that Scott had the intellect and capabilities to be a success at whatever he wanted in life, but Scott believed that his true calling and highest honor was to defend our Nation as a Green Beret soldier. Scott is beloved by all who knew him and inspires all who have heard his story.

The City Council had previous discussions about the need for a memorial for native daughters and sons who have fought in Iraq-Afghanistan, our Country's longest war. The recent loss of Scott, the first Pasadena citizen to die in Afghanistan, has galvanized city leaders, family friends, and citizens to form a Steering Committee to work on a memorial to our fallen and surviving Iraq-Afghanistan warriors, recently named "Enduring Heroes."

#### Education and awareness opportunities for Pasadena

Today less than one half of one percent of US citizens are on active duty in the military and less than 9% of all US citizens have ever served. Yet, as the tragic daily headlines throughout the world constantly remind us, we live in a world where the United States' military strength is increasingly important. California has lost over 700 women and men in Iraq-Afganistan and the related wars against terror, far more than any other state. Further, more Californians have served in the military than any other state. Pasadena is known all over the world. How fitting it will be for Pasadena to take a strong leadership role as other California cities, such as Irvine has, to recognize our nation's heroes.

#### Fallen warriors from the greater Pasadena area

Enduring Heroes will honor the soldiers from Pasadena and its neighboring, smaller cities — Altadena, La Cañada-Flintridge, San Marino, and South Pasadena. These five cities and their citizens are closely connected in numerous civic and philanthropic pursuits. In a world where so few serve in the Armed Services it important to band together to honor its local heroes. There are four fallen soldiers from Pasadena, one from Altadena, and one from San Marino. These six soldiers are listed below in order of their passing. In addition, the monument will recognize all who have served from these cities.

The fallen warriors of greater Pasadena area are:

- Marine Second Lieutenant JP Blecksmith, 24 Fallujah, Iraq, 11/11/04
- LCpl USMC Dion M. Whitley, 21 Ramadi, Iraq, 6/15/05
- Marine Lance Cpl, Sergio H. Escobar, 18 Ramadi, Iraq, 10/9/05
- Army Specialist, Adam J. Rosema, 27 Baquba, Iraq, 3/14/07
- Marine Lance Cpl, Rogelio A. Ramirez, 21 Al Anbar Province, Iraq, 8/26/07
- Army Green Beret SSG, Scott R. Studenmund, 24 Gaza Village, Afghanistan, 6/9/2014

#### THE MEMORIAL SCULPTURE

Noted local sculptor Christopher Slatoff brings both passion and talent to this project. His artistry, skill, and vast experience will ensure the integrity of Enduring Heroes, a monument which will serve to enhance our city, honor our fallen warriors, and create greater awareness of and appreciation for all who serve in the wars on terror.

This clay model depicting a combat soldier triumphantly holding the American flag will be cast into a 7-8 foot bronze sculpture. Designed in a style and scale that fits well in this historic neighborhood, it is also complementary to the memorials that already exist; this bronze sculpture will honor all of the soldiers who have been lost in the current wars from the greater Pasadena area. Thoughtfully placed at Defenders Parkway West, the statue will share the intersection with the WWI memorial flagpole creating a symbolic link between the Iraq-Afghanistan soldiers and the WWI soldiers.

Design highlights of the Memorial demonstrate the sculptor's attention to detail and his appreciation of the viewer. The flag features cut-out stars enabling light to shine through.



#### MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS

title inscription:

#### **ENDURING HEROES**

PASADENA REMEMBERS OUR FALLEN WARRIORS AND HONORS THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN AND WARS ON TERROR.

inspirational inscription:

# COURAGE, HONOR, SACRIFICE SECURING LIBERTY AND FREEDOM FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Memorial inscription:

Marine Second Lieutenant JP Blecksmith, 24 – Fallujah, Iraq, 11/11/04

LCpl USMC Dion M. Whitley, 21 – Ramadi, Iraq, 6/15/05

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Army Green Beret SSG, Scott R. Studenmund, 24 – Gaza Village, Afghanistan, 6/9/2014

Remembrance inscriptions:

Enduring Heroes Remembrances from each family (see page 9)

Working with the City, these inscriptions will be set in an appropriate type font selected by the Steering Committee and the sculptor. The font size and selection will be thoughtfully designed for aesthetics and ADA compliance when the full-size sculpture is developed.

**Enduring Heroes** 

#### ENDURING HEROES

Remembrance inscriptions:

inspirational inscription:

(see page 8)

**ENDURING HEROES** 

for future generations

Inspired by the post 9/11 bulletin board notes for lost family members, families of the fallen soldiers will have the opportuntly to write a special remembrance in bronze on the back surface of the flag. (See page 7.)

PASADENA REMEMBERS OUR FALLEN WARRIORS AND HONORS THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN AND WARS ON TERROR.

This enhanced visualization of the maquette shows: 1. removal of the beret 2. draping of the flag closer to the figure's body 3. support for the flag to help the viewer visualize what was described in words before. COURAGE, HONOR, SACRIFICE Securing liberty and freedom Symbols for each of the five US Military branches will support the flag.

Memorial inscription:

Names of the six fallen soldiers from the greater Pasadena area will be inscribed on the back side of the flag's stripes. Space will be reserved should there be future fallen.

Marine Second Lieutenant JP Blecksmith, 24 - Fallujah, Iraq, 11/11/04 LCpl USMC Dion M. Whitley, 21 - Ramadi, Iraq, 6/15/05 Marine Lance Cpl, Sergio H. Escobar, 18 – Ramadi, Iraq, 10/9/05 Army Specialist, Adam J. Rosema, 27 - Baquba, Iraq, 3/14/07 Marine Lance Cpl, Rogelio A. Ramirez, 21 - Al Anbar Province, Iraq, 8/26/07 Army Green Beret SSG, Scott R. Studenmund, 24 - Gaza Village, Afghanistan, 6/9/2014

**Enduring Heroes** 

#### **INSPIRATIONAL INSCRIPTION**

Inspirational inscription shown in birds eye view of cement pad on which the Memorial will stand:



The above inscription would be set in the cement pad, as in this sample of one of the Washington DC memorials:



#### **ENDURING HEROES "REMEMBRANCES"**

Unique to the Enduring Heroes Memorial will be the opportunity for each family to pay tribute to their cherished fallen warrior. On the back side of the flag will be notes (Enduring Heroes "Remembrances") crafted by the Gold Star families whose son or daughter have paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Wars on Terror. Christopher Slatoff, sculptor of the monument, will work with each family to create their treasured note.

Currently there are six fallen heroes from the greater Pasadena area to be recognized. Each Remembrance would express a personal message, submitted by each family, and approved for content and appropriateness by the Steering Committee in conjunction with the City. The notes may also include a military insignia, emblem or achievement.

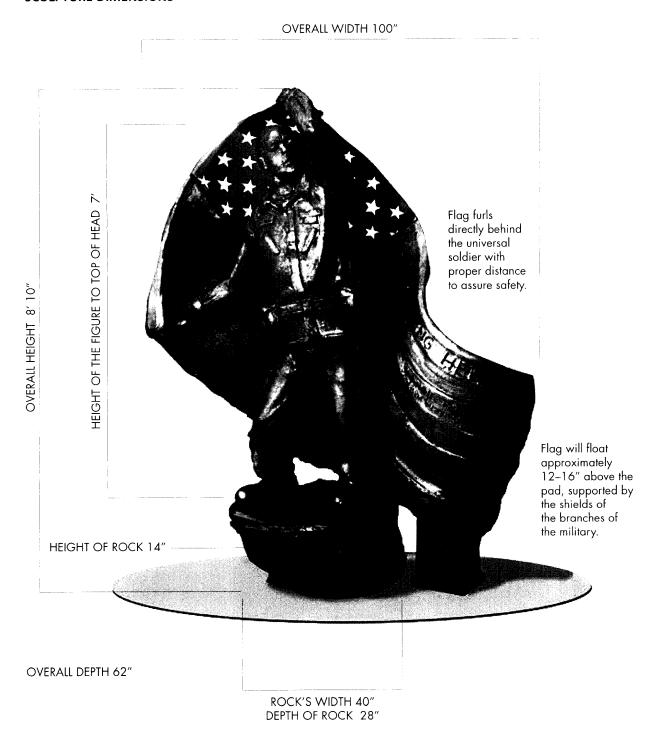
The families are very supportive of and touched by the Enduring Heroes Memorial. Two Gold Star mothers shared the following:

- "... I am so blessed to see your message and what Enduring Heroes is doing! You're an answer to [my] prayer. My son so loved Pasadena and I have wanted or wished for a permanent tribute for him and the others from Pasadena to be placed somewhere fitting for them." 4/16/2015
- "... such a great project to honor the Pasadena heroes that paid the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The location... sounds wonderful and poignant. I like the idea of putting their names on the flag, with possibly a message from the parents. We were able to leave a note by the pictures of our hero at the Remembering our Fallen display at Reagan Library. It really personalizes it for us and the people coming to see it..." 4/16/2015

#### **Future fallen warriors**

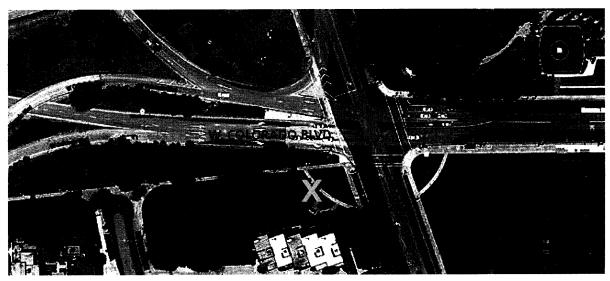
The Steering Committee will be responsible for identifying any future fallen soldiers. They have connected with multiple Gold Star organizations to ensure that we address any future casualties expediantly. They have contracted with the Pasadena Community Foundation (PCF) to manage the implemention of the long-term process and policy for inclusion of the future fallen, if any. Sculptor Christopher Slatoff is committed to being involved for all future additions. His on-going artistic involvement will ensure the maintenance of his initial vision. The anticipated cost associated with adding a Remembrance for future fallen warriors is \$1,250. This cost will be paid from the Enduring Heroes Memorial Maintennance Fund (a \$50,000 budget for long term maintenance and support), with PCF overseeing the additions to the monument and management of the fund.

#### **SCULPTURE DIMENSIONS**



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#### THE SITE



Above: Proposed Defenders Parkway West site for "Enduring Heroes" Memorial on the southwest corner of W. Colorado Blvd. and S. Orange Grove. The placement and visibility of the statue at this most important intersection in the City of Pasadena gives due honor to these heroes.

**Defenders Parkway West** is a passive park consisting of approximately 1.8 acres on the southwest corner of West Colorado and South Orange Grove. The 7-8' tall "Enduring Heroes" Memorial will be located approximately 25' from the northwest edge of the monument honoring our City's founding fathers and approximately 15' in front of the landmark oak (Quercus agrifolia) to be framed by its majestic branches. The sculpture—a standing soldier holding a magnificent flag has been designed by Christopher Slatoff.

See appendix for architectural renderings.





#### SAFETY & MAINTENANCE

#### **SAFETY**

Artist, Christopher Slatoff, has vast experience with significant outdoor sculptures and will ensure that all designs, fabrications and installation are properly managed and overseen. Architect Chris Ward of the DLR Group has provided the engineering diagrams and will provide consultation to the artist throughout the planning, construction, delivery and installation phases. The Steering Committee and artist have, from the beginning, kept the visitors' experience, including their safety, at the forefront of their vision. As such, precautions have been taken during the design process to insure that the monument will not cause harm to its viewers. For example, the American flag and the edges of the cut out stars will be softened. Compliance with all applicable ADA requirements will allow appropriate clearance around the structure and easy access to the structure by all who visit.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

#### The Memorial

The Enduring Heroes Memorial will be cast in bronze, with stainless steel interior supports. The monument will sit on a reinforced cement slab in the desired location, Defenders Parkway West, and will be professionally installed so as to require minimal on-going maintenance.

#### Maintaining beauty and structural integrity over time

The Steering Committee is dedicated to the creation and life of this Memorial. Plans include compliance with the City's request for us to contract with one of their recommended Art Conservators during the permit and licensing process. The Art Conservator will then provide a long-term maintenance program for the statue. Also integral to the maintenance plan is the ongoing commitment of artist Christopher Slatoff who will participate with the Art Conservator to give his input and provide services as needed.

#### Addition of names & "Remembrances" of future fallen heroes

Initially, the names of our six local fallen heroes will be etched into the stripes of the American Flag (see Sculpture Inscriptions). In the future, should Pasadena-area soldiers lose their lives protecting our freedoms, the ongoing maintenance plan will ensure the addition of the names of the future fallen, as well as the family Remembrances, to the Memorial. Specifically, the design foundry will be able to add names to the stripes on the flag by utilizing electrical etching tools on site. The Remembrances for future will be crafted in studio and affixed to the structure by the artist and his team.

#### Ongoing financial commitment to maintenance

Preserving this Memorial for future generations (such as repairs from normal wear and tear or possible damage from vandalism) is a key component of the plan, thereby ensuring the longevity of commitment to the Memorial itself and a lasting partnership with the City. Hence, the fund-raising goal includes the establishment of an endowment of approximately \$50,000 to be held in trust and managed by the Pasadena Community Foundation (pending contract approval).

#### CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION

#### **Engineering and oversight**

The Steering Committee has retained the services of a local architect firm to act as an on-going consultant to our project. Chris Ward, of DLR Group, in Pasadena, has inspected the proposed installation site in Defenders Parkway West and provided the site plans on pages 10 and 11. His firm has agreed to coordinate with the artist from planning through construction, delivery and installation.

#### Installation

Pathway and Concrete Work — A 6" thick concrete path will extend from the existing walkway around the Pasadena Founder's memorial (please see attached elevation sketch). The Memorial will rest on a 12' circular pad, allowing for wheelchair and other access as mandated by the ADA.

Installation Plan — An installation plan and production schedule will be provided.

*Installation Day* — Physical installation of the actual monument will require one day. The statue will be brought in with a forklift, and welded onto 6'" stainless steel rods drilled into the concrete.

#### Impact from/to existing trees

The City has inspected the root system of the surrounding trees, and is satisfied that the installation will not cause negative impact. Mr. Ward concurred and indicated that because there is no root damage to the existing cement paths, the roots will not likely cause damage to the monument or new pathways.

#### **Rose Parade friendly**

A thorough review of the location of the monument relative to the annual erection of the Rose Parade bleachers was conducted with the City and the Tournament of Roses. It indicates no negative impact and the Memorial will not impinge on bleacher space.

#### FINANCE

#### **Project funding**

The Memorial will be funded by grants and donations raised by the Enduring Heroes Fundraising Committee (further details on page 17). Donations will cover the sculpting and installation of this work, and an endowment will provide funding for maintenance.

The attached budget reflects a target fundraising goal of \$350,000 ("Memorial Fund"), \$50,000 of which will remain held in trust at PCF. This "Maintenance Fund" will cover on-going maintenance of the monument and the addition of future Fallen Heroes.

An insurance policy will cover the monument during design and construction in the studio, delivery and installation. Once the Memorial is completed and valuation appraised, appropriate coverage, including general liability in connection with the City's risk management requirements will be secured.

#### Fiscal sponsorship

Pasadena Community Foundation's (PCF) board met and approved Enduring Heroes on May 6, 2015 and has agreed to accept fiscal responsibility and sponsorship for Enduring Heroes, including but not limited to all financial transactions and reporting. Upon completion of the active project stage of the Memorial, PCF will assume long-term responsibility for the Memorial. The relationship with PCF will provide the City with continuity and support.

#### **BUDGET**

#### **ENDURING HEROES BUDGET**

as of April 16, 2015

Monument		Comment
Art and Production – Christopher Slatoff	\$ 145,000	
Construction		
Engineering by DLR Group	2,000	
Foundry	59,000	plus sales tax – 9%
Delivery & Installation	5,000	
Studio Rental	12,000	
Studio Insurance	1,000	Six-month policy
Net Monument Cost	\$ 224,000	
City Permits		
License & Permits*	\$ 5,000	
Art Conservators	2,500	
Net City Fees	\$ 7,500	
Installation		
Insurance	\$ 3,500	
Concrete	5,000	
Net Installation Costs	\$ 8,500	
Fundraising & Administrative		
PCF Administrative Fee	\$ 21,000	6% administrative fee
Fundraising Costs	15,000	
Net Fundraising & Administrative	\$ 36,000	
Maintennance Endowment	\$ 50,000	
Reserves**	\$ 24,000	
Total Fundraising Goal	\$ 350,000	

- \* This is an approximation only, based on 2% of the overall cost of construction of the Monument. Actual charges for permits and fees will be calculated during the application process.
- \*\* We have allocated a reserve budget of \$24,000, for any unforeseen expenses that may be incurred. Should this amount not be utilized, it will become part of the Enduring Heroes Maintenance Endowment.

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#### **DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

A separate Enduring Heroes Fundraising Committee will be formally created once approval is received from Pasadena's City Council. The Fundraising Committee will include Steering Committee members and other community leaders who have expressed a strong interest in and commitment to this project and have fundraising experience.

The Steering Committee members have extensive fundraising experience with capital campaigns, annual funds, and special events. These Capital campaigns raised over \$250 million for universities including Wellesley College, Occidental College, and USC; \$15 million for local Pasadena area private schools including Flintridge Prep and Chandler School; and over \$20 million for local arts and community pursuits including Huntington Hospital, Pasadena Playhouse, KCET public television, Pasadena Humane Society, LA Philharmonic, Muse/que, Pasadena Symphony, LA Library Council, Boy Scouts of America, and the LA Girl Scout Council. Annual fund experience is also broad including Wesley School, Clairbourn School, Crestview School, Westridge School, Chandler School, Polytechnic, and Flintridge Prep.

Moreover, several Steering Committee members have excellent experience in supporting annual and capital campaigns for numerous organizations in the areas of material design and promotion (Denton Design Associates), event management (Jordi & Co), and Club Presidencies (Rhonda Kozacik).

The fundraising goal is to raise \$350,000 through the following:

**Quiet phase** – currently underway and will begin in earnest following Pasadena City Council approval. To date, over \$80,000 has been pledged from lead donors. Plans include the following:

- Make in-person visits and apply to local, known foundations such as Wells Fargo, Union Bank, Forest Lawn, Rose Hills, Western Asset, American Legion, Rotary, and others for lead gifts of \$10,000 and higher; ideally there will multiple gifts of \$25,000 and higher.
- Hold in-person meetings with targeted individual donors who have capacity and have expressed interest in being part of this project and are active supporters of the military and/or the arts. These gifts will be at the \$10,000 and higher levels.
- Host an awareness building reception for targeted foundations and lead donors where the artist will speak about the sculpture and City officials and Steering Committee members can answer questions.
- Produce press releases for the *Outlook* and *Pasadena Star News* about the project.
- Build military awareness in general through events like the Pasadena American Legion's hosting the "Remembering Our Fallen" traveling memorial for California's over 700 fallen heroes. "Remembering Our Fallen" kicked off their California road show with a magnificent ceremony at Ronald Reagan library in January 2015. The memorial exhibit is planned to be in Pasadena's American Legion in early Fall 2015.
- Expand reach by including the additional cities of Altadena, La Cañada-Flintridge, San Marino, and South Pasadena, which will honor a larger community of soldiers and provide a larger donor pool.

**Public phase** – will begin once approximately 70% of the \$350,000 goal has been achieved and is likely to be in late 2015 or early 2016. Elements will include:

- Target letters to individuals able to contribute at the \$1,000 and higher levels
- Leverage a fundraising page for Enduring Heroes on the Pasadena Community Foundation's website
- Involve younger citizens, including classmates of the soldiers, Girls and Boy Scouts, and other community organizations.
- Reach out broadly through multiple channels for gifts of all sizes

**Campaign completion and recognition** – the target date for formal unveiling of the Enduring Heroes Memorial is Veteran Day 2016. A ceremony will include officials from the five cities, families of the fallen warriors, formal military honor guard and band, soldiers who have served in Iraq-Afghanistan and their families, veterans of other wars, donors at all levels, and Enduring Heroes friends.

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

#### **Adjacent Neighbors**

The Steering Committee is dedicated to gaining neighboring community enthusiasm and support from those who live immediately adjacent to Defenders Parkway West. They have reached out to neighbors, civic and business leaders and friends, including but not limited to the Homeowners Associations of One South Grove Boulevard and One South Grand Avenue, the condo residences closest to the site. Members of the Steering Committee met with HOA leadership in April 2015. As a result of this meeting, a modification has been made to the monument. The flag has been brought next to the soldier's body ensuring that there is not a hidden area for safety reasons.

#### Outreach to neighboring cities

Thus far, the project focus has been on the sponsoring city, Pasadena. The Steering Committee is also dedicated to honoring fallen warriors and those who have served from the neighboring communities of Altadena, La Cañada-Flintridge, San Marino, and South Pasadena. Upon receipt of Pasadena City approval, continued outreach will include officials and Chambers of Commerce in the neighboring cities. Further outreach will include organizations such as American Legion, Rotary Club, the Masons, and Veteran's Groups.

#### **ABOUT THE ARTIST**

**Christopher Slatoff**, sculpture chairman of the California Art Club, is the son of an Art Professor. He studied in both the United States and France, ultimately earning a Bachelors of Fine Arts Degree in Sculpture from California State Long Beach where he has taught life sculpture. Slatoff also teaches sculpture at Art Center College of Design and holds workshops and lectures at the Getty Museum.

Specializing in art for the public sector, Slatoff is experienced in partnering with government agencies and citizens committees to create beautiful, impactful works of art, all while bringing projects to fruition on time and on budget. His work is prominently displayed in a variety of locations around the country; local examples include the University of Southern California, The Church of our Lady of the Angels, and Pepperdine University, to name only a few. Slatoff has had numerous solo exhibitions and has participated in many group exhibitions. His current project, "Fr. Electrico," is in collaboration with the writer Ray Bradbury. The ½ life size version of this concept, recently won the Gold Medal for sculpture at the "97th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition" at the Pasadena Museum of California Art. The sculptor is recreating the image on the monumental scale of eight feet in height.

Deeply committed to providing art education for underserved segments of the community, Slatoff was the recipient of a State of California Artist in Residence Grant to work with special needs children in the Public Schools. He has helped set up after-school art programs and has worked as an Artist Facilitator at Metropolitan State Hospital.







# Christopher Slatoff Sculptor

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#### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

USC Monument, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

#### **COMPLETED PROJECTS** (partial)

#### 2013

The Spiritual Exercises, Loyola High School, Los Angeles, CA

#### 2012

*Crucifix*, USC Caruso Catholic Center, Our Savior Catholic Chapel, Los Angeles, CA

The Illustrated Man, Private collection, created in collaboration with Ray Bradbury

#### 2006-2010

Adoption, The Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, Los Angeles, CA

Monument to George Pepperdine, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA

St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Therese of Carmel Church, San Diego, CA

Felicitas and Perpetua, Felicitas and Perpetua Church, San Marino, CA

St. Brendan, St. Brendan Catholic Church, Los Angeles, CA

#### 2001-2005

*The Via Dolorosa* (life size Stations of the Cross) Commissioned by The Via Dolorosa Society

*Jesus Being Nailed to the Cross*, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA

Jesus Falls the First Time, St. Marks Episcopal Church, Glendale, CA The Pieta, Mission San Diego, San Diego, CA

#### 1996-2000

*Angels*, Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church, Los Angeles, CA *La Placita*, Los Angeles, CA

*St. Peter Preaching at Pentecost*, St. Peter Catholic Church, Fallbrook, CA

**Sheltering Wings**, Commissioned by the Port District of San Diego Shoreline Park, Coronado Island, San Diego, CA

#### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

State of California, Artist in Residence Grant 1986

Gold Medal Award for Sculpture, 97th annual gold medal juried exhibition California Art Club, Pasadena Museum of California Art

Artist in Residence: Brehm Center for the Arts, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA

Sculpture Chairman, California Art Club

#### **Enduring Heroes**

#### LEADERSHIP BIOS

#### DR. SHELLY LOWE

Chair, Enduring Heroes Memorial Committee

#### PERSONAL AND CAREER

Shelly and her husband of 29 years, Dennis, a private investor, have been residents of Pasadena since 1986 and have two adult children, Dennis Allen and Cara. Dennis Allen is a 2012 graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, and currently is deployed to the Middle East. Cara is a 2014 graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design and now works for a design company in Los Angeles.

Shelly earned a BS Degree from the University of Texas in Special Education for the Visually Impaired, went on to earn a MA from California State University Los Angeles in the same field, and then a Doctorate in Optometry from the Southern California College of Optometry. Shelly is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry and member of the American Optometric Society.

Shelly taught visually impaired children for five years with the Los Angeles County School District prior to Optometry school. In 1991, she was a founding partner and now President of the South Pasadena Optometric Group.

#### ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Shelly has spent the past 23 years building a successful private practice and supporting the community through volunteer and philanthropic work and hosting fundraising events at their home.

She was active in establishing the Southern California Chapter of Association for the Education of the Visually Impaired. She participates with the Young and Healthy on a volunteer basis providing free eye examinations for children of low-income families. She also is a participating doctor with the Infant See program in California. Her optometric practice awards a scholarship each year to an outstanding student at the South Pasadena High School and supports other charitable causes in the community. Shelly served in the South Pasadena Rotary for over ten years and was honored as Rotarian of the year; helped establish and served on the board of South Pasadena Literacy Center; was honored by the Glendale Galleria as one of the three citizens to be highlighted for their involvement with children in the community; and has also supported the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

She is a member of Art Center 100, and along with her husband, a member of California Art Club, California Science Center, Caltech Associates, Fellows of the Natural History Museum and Bowers Museum, and Huntington Memorial Hospital President's Circle. They are also long-time supporters of the Los Angeles Philharmonic and Pasadena Playhouse (Dennis served on the boards of the Pasadena Playhouse and Pasadena Symphony for several years and chaired or co-chaired their annual fund raising Galas). Additionally, Shelly supports Muse/Ique, the Pasadena Humane Society and the LA Library Council as well as several other non-profit organizations in the Pasadena and Los Angeles areas.

#### JAYNIE MILLER STUDENMUND

Gold Star Mother

#### PERSONAL

Jaynie was born in Sioux City, Iowa and grew up in Washington, DC. She has lived in the greater Pasadena area for over 35 years. She earned a BA in economics (Phi Beta Kappa) from Wellesley College and a MBA from Harvard Business School. Her husband, Woody, is the Laurence de Rycke Distinguished Professor of Economics at Occidental College, where he has taught and served in a variety of leadership roles in his over 45 years at Oxy. They have two adult children, Scott and Connell. Scott, a Green Beret Staff Sergeant (combat diver and sniper), was tragically killed in Afghanistan on June 9, 2014. Connell is a junior at Dartmouth College.

#### **CAREER SUMMARY**

Jaynie is a corporate director and advisor, building on over 30 years of executive management experience across a diverse set of business environments, including start-ups, rapid growth, turnarounds, and mergers and acquisitions, primarily in the Internet and financial services industries.

Today Jaynie is engaged with a portfolio of corporate boards and advisory activities. She serves on the boards of public Pinnacle Entertainment (PNK), Core Logic (CLGX), and Western Asset, (WAMCO). She also is on the board of private Forest Lawn, where she chairs the \$500 million investment committee for their endowment care fund. Previously she was on the boards of Orbitz, eHarmony, MarketTools, and aQuantive, which is now part of Microsoft.

Jaynie's most recent operating position was as the COO (number two executive) for Overture Services, a publicly traded company, based in Pasadena, that redefined how to advertise successfully online through creating paid search, which is today the dominant form of online advertising. Overture grew during Jaynie's three year tenure as COO from \$100 million to \$1.2 billion in revenues and was sold to Yahoo in 2004. Prior to Overture, Jaynie was the President and COO of PayMy-Bills, which became the largest bill management company on the Internet.

Before the Internet, Jaynie had a 15-year career in financial services, primarily at First Interstate Bank of California, now Wells Fargo. Jaynie was the EVP & Head of Retail Banking responsible for over \$1 billion in revenue, 4,000 employees, 400 retail outlets, call centers, business banking, online services, product management, and marketing. After First Interstate's hostile takeover by Wells Fargo and during the era of consolidation in California banking, Jaynie was a top member of the executive teams that transformed the nation's two largest S&L's, Great Western and Home Savings of America, into commercial banks and positioned them for sale. Today these two S&L's form the backbone of Chase's Western US franchise. Earlier in her career, Jaynie was a product manager at Avery Dennison and a management consultant at Booz, Allen & Hamilton.

#### **VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS**

Jaynie is Vice Chair of Huntington Hospital's board and a life time trustee. She chairs the Quality and Compensation Committees and serves on Governance and Strategic Planning. Jaynie has been a board member of the Hospital since 1998.

Jaynie serves on the Board of Advisors for USC's Veterans MBA program which is part of the Marshall School of Business. She is a member of Wellesley College's Business Leadership Council. She is also a member of the United States Gold Star Mothers.

Jaynie's previous community activities include chairing the board and capital campaign for Flintridge Preparatory School and serving on the boards of KCET, Angeles Girl Scout Council, and Harvey Mudd College.

**Enduring Heroes** 

#### Rhonda W. Kazacik

Project Manager

Rhonda, a lifelong resident of Southern California, graduated from the University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business in 1981, and has two adult sons, Trey and Kurt. Both sons are Trojans as well; Trey graduated from USC, in 2012, and is working in political fundraising, and Kurt is currently a junior.

Rhonda managed all facets of Trans World Insurance Brokers for over twenty years, including accounting, human resources, client management and public relations. Currently, she is Managing Partner in two LLC's which own and manage residential properties.

The basis of the friendships amongst the Enduring Heroes Steering Committee, was volunteering at Flintridge Prep, where most of our sons were classmates together. Rhonda served as President of the Parents Association at both the Wesley School and Flintridge Prep, and served on multiple fundraising and volunteer committees. She was on the Board of Trustees at the Crestview School, and chaired the development committee. She is honored to be a associated with the Enduring Heroes Project.

#### Jordan Stringfellow

Oversight, Fundraising, Events

Jordi, a Blue Star Mom (her son is an Army officer currently deployed overseas), holds a BA in French Literature, and a JD from the University of Southern California Law Center. She and her husband Dean (an attorney in private practice) have lived in the Pasadena area for 25 years. They have two adult children: Steven, a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point currently deployed to the Middle East; Samantha is a graduate of Emerson College.

Formerly in-house counsel for Hanna Barbera Productions and The Carsey Werner Company, Jordi has broad experience in all aspects of television, production, and distribution. She implemented global policies for IP protection, lead negotiations to avoid industry wide strikes, and established industry standards for use of fine art and other protected works on network tv.

Currently, Jordi heads Pasadenabased Jordi & CO Event Planning. Her client base ranges from private individuals to corporate, foundation, and community organizations.

Volunteer Efforts span fund raising for Huntington Memorial Hospital, consulting for USC Norris Cancer Center, and spearheading policies for better communication between geneticists and oncologists at Norris and City of Hope (for improved diagnostics and patient care) as well as co-chairing Annual Fund campaigns at area private schools. As a Blue Star mom, Jordi is passionately committed to Enduring Heroes.

#### Margi Denton

Graphic Design

Margi has lived in Pasadena for over 35 years with her husband, Bill Denton who is VP of sales at iHeart Media. They have three adult sons, Bryan (NYU '05, an award-winning photojournalist based in Beirut since 2006), Stuart (Occidental College '08, currently studying at Pepperdine School of Law '16), and Peter (Occidental College '12, media planner at Turner Sports).

Margi is a practicing artist and designer working out of her Pasadena studio. Throughout her graphic design career as founder and principal of Denton Design Associates, her engagement in painting, printmaking, object making, and furniture design has afforded her forty years of collaboration in the corporate, non-profit, and creative spheres. Her graphic design work for Caltech is included in the Library of Congress collection of design.

Margi holds a bachelor's degree in fine art from Occidental College '75 and is an alumna of Immaculate Heart High School, where she served on its board for six years. She volunteers her time mentoring high school students in graphic design each year and was a founding member of Art Center Partners, a fundraising group supporting public programs for the College.

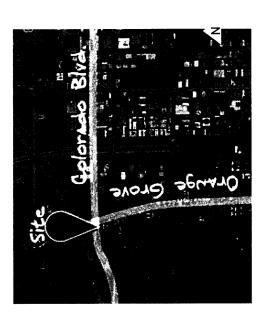
# **Enduring Heroes** Memorial

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# **ENDURING HEROES MEMORIAL**



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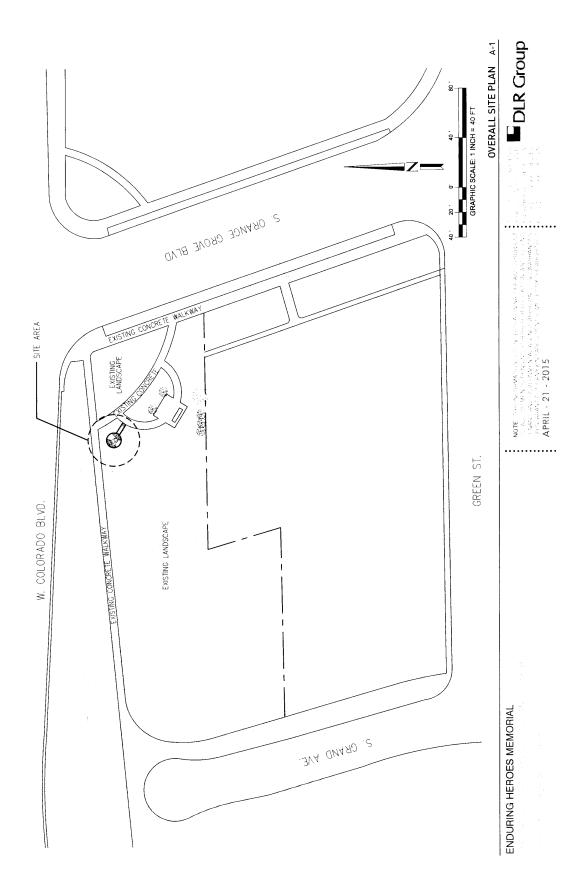
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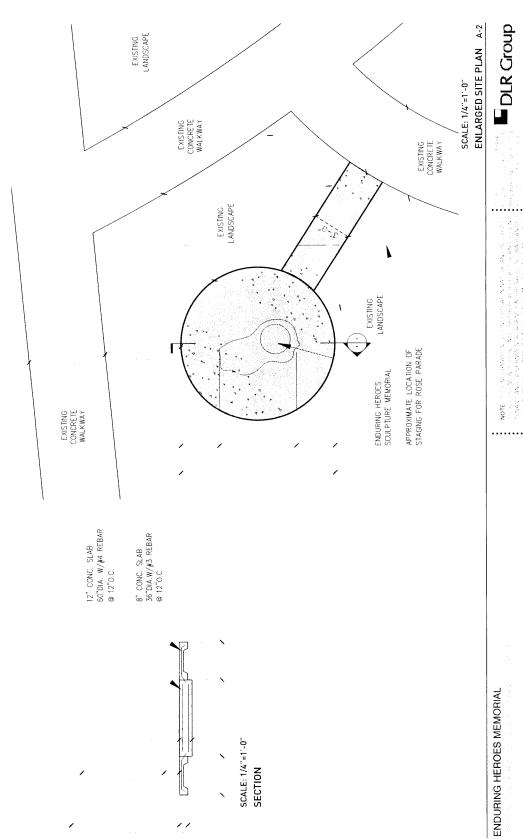
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#### **APPENDIX**

#### **DETAILS OF EFFORTS SINCE 5/5/15 RPC MEETING**

We spent a significant amount of time in the following months, discussing the monument with Pasadena's City Council Members, the Gold Star Families and residents from the communities adjacent to Defenders Parkway West. During these conversations, and based upon the May RPC meeting, we listened to their advice and suggestions, and are proud to state the following Physical Changes:

#### Physical Monument Changes Since 5/5/15 Meeting:

Based upon the suggestions of the RPC, City Council Members, meetings with neighboring Homeowners to Defenders Parkway West, and with guidance from the Gold Star Families, we have:

- At the recommendation of Council Member Steve Madison, from District 6, the monument title will now read "Enduring Heroes – Pasadena Remembers Our Fallen."
- Although a beret is common military attire, the Enduring Heroes soldier will now appear without a beret. Again this is to ensure that the visitor feels that soldier could represent any of the five branches. This was a concern expressed at the RPC meeting, and we are happy to agree.
- At the suggestion of the neighboring residents and addressing their safety concern, the flag will be draped closer to the soldier's body, so that there is not an open "pocket area."

#### EH Committee presented to the ACC on May 13:

On August 10, our committee received a copy of the June 1 letter from John McLean, Chair of the Arts and Culture Commission to Rita Moreno, Chair of the Recreation and Parks Commission regarding the ACC meeting on 5/13.

During our presentation at the RPC meeting on 9/1, we briefly outlined our Committee's response to that letter:

Following City protocol, RPC sent postcards to the homeowners within 1000 feet of the proposed monument site announcing two meetings, May 5, 2015, and September 1, 2015. Further, members of the Steering Committee met with the HOA leadership of 1 South Orange Grove and 100 South Grand to present Enduring Heroes and answer questions. As a result of our meeting we have responded with the visually enhanced maquette presented in this proposal.

The Enduring Heroes committee followed and strictly adhered to the Recreation and Parks Monument Policy. Specifically, our committee was not advised to hold an open design contest, and we are committed to the vision of the "Universal Soldier."

We stand prepared to commemorate any future fallen (see page 7 – Future Fallen Warriors). Our intention has always been to honor all current and future fallen, those women and men from the Pasadena area who bravely answered their Country's call, and paid the ultimate sacrifice.

This loss of a personal friend has motivated this group to respond with a larger view—to pay permanent honor to the fallen, to give Pasadena a significant work of art, and to build awareness and gratitude for our Armed Services members.

#### **Community Outreach**

A critical component, as mentioned at both the RPC and ACC meetings, for the Enduring Heroes Steering Committee to address, was community outreach. Since the 5/5/15 RPC Meeting, we have made contact with each of the six Gold Star families, each who have each lost a son in the Iraq-Afghanistan conflict, since 9/11. All six families have joined our committee, and attended meetings with each of the seven Pasadena Council Members. Representing their Districts, the Council Members each graciously spent a significant amount of time, listening to the Gold Star families share their precious memories and hear the significance of a monument in honor of their fallen patriot.

Further, an on-going goal of our committee will be to build awareness, education and gratitude for our Armed Services Members within the Pasadena Community. The Steering Committee is also working on an upcoming event, coming to Pasadena in September, "Remembering Our Fallen," a traveling memorial, which pays tribute to the over 700 Fallen from California. This exceptional and impactful exhibit will be open to the public, the week of September 20 to 26th, at the American Legion

Specific highlights of Community Outreach include:

Garnered the full participation and support of all six Gold Star Families, the local families who lost their sons during the past 11 years. In the many hours spent with the brave Gold Star families, we have come to learn how much they love Pasadena, and how happy they are that finally, after so many years without a permanent tribute to their fallen sons, the City they love wants to pay homage. Our commitment and dedication to these Gold Star families is paramount.

Met with each of Pasadena's dedicated Council Members

- Reviewed our proposal in detail,
- · Introduced them to our Steering Committee,
- And to our dedicated and brave Gold Star families,
- Discussed the great lengths we have taken to adhere to the Monument Policy in creation of the proposal itself,
- Thoughtfully, and fully addressed all questions and concerns.
   Continued to reach out to interested individuals and entities around the City and to date we have approximately \$80,000 in soft pledges.
- Met with largely unqualified support and enthusiasm for the project, its purpose, design and location
- Made several attempts to hold meetings in person and on site for the HOA residents, which generated very limited interest

## APPLICATION OF THE CITY'S "PARK MONUMENT POLICY" TO THE ENDURING HEROES PROPOSAL

#### (a) Appropriateness:

The selected site, Defenders Parkway West (DPW) bears particular "relevance to our purpose" because other complementary monument reside there as well, including

the Goodhue World War I flagpole (diagonally opposite EH,)
Defenders Parkway Dedication Granite Monument: said
monument reads "Defenders Parkway Dedicated by Mothers
of the Defenders of the Flag Soldiers Sailors Marines Who So
gallantly Responded to Our Country' Call. 1776 1861 1898
1917

At a time in our Country's history, when less than one half of one percent of US citizens are on active duty, it is essential to recognize the courage of our local "defenders," who had the courage to stand up for their beliefs. This notion alone shows the monuments ability to "weather the vagaries of time."

This beautiful Memorial honors those soldiers who died fighting in the Wars on Terror, since September 11, 2001, one of the most significant days in the course of our Country's modern history. This meets the criterion as to "length of time" between an event and its commemoration." All but one of the six fallen from the greater Pasadena area (and these heroes all called Pasadena home, some were born here, some went to community schools, and some lived here all their lives) gave their lives between eight to eleven years ago. (JP Blecksmith – 2004, Adam Rosema – 2007 & Rogelio Ramirez – 2007). The American Flag, which is a key component of our monument, most certainly will withstand the test of time, and several of the City's other monuments honoring War fallen, depict soldiers in military fatigues. (I.e.) the Goodhue World War I flagpole, the Vietnam Veteran memorial.

#### (b) Compatibility:

The material (bronze and stone) and the design of the Enduring Heroes Monument will integrate beautifully and gracefully into Defenders Parkway West. The area was inspected by Park representatives, and structural Architects (Chris Ward of DLR Group) to ensure minimal impact on the root systems of adjacent trees. Further, Mr. Ward advised that the lack of apparent stress on the adjacent concrete pathways also indicated that the root system would not damage the monument. We have offered and whole-heartedly agree to work closely with the City during design and installation to make certain all environmental precautions will be followed. Further, as stated in previous proposals, the monument will be situated far enough away from the annual Rose Parade grandstands, so as to avoid any complications.

#### (c) Impact on Park Use:

Defenders Parkway West is a beautiful setting, peaceful and reverent. The proposed monument will sit gracefully under an existing tree, again with no impact to the root system, and not close to any pathways. It does not interfere or intrude upon an open spaces, or pathways.

#### (d) Aesthetics:

The Enduring Heroes monument has been designed by a renowned and award winning sculptor Christopher Slatoff, a professor at Art Center College of Design. His works are on display throughout the greater Los Angeles area, including, to name only a few, USC, the Church of our Lady of the Angels, and Pepperdine University. The artistic aesthetic, workmanship, construction and installation will be of the highest quality, and cast in bronze. This stunning gift of figural art will be worthy of Pasadena itself, just adjacent to our renowned Norton Simon Museum, our largest local repository of figural and sculptural art.

#### (e) Maintenance:

The Enduring Heroes Memorial will be cast in bronze, with stainless steel supports. We will establish a \$50,000 on-going endowment fund, which will be maintained and managed by the Pasadena Community Foundation. The Steering Committee and the sculptor are dedicated to the creation and life of the Memorial, and our proposal details our ongoing commitment to working with the City's recommended Art Conservators during the permit and licensing stage phase (to ensure all appropriate methods are followed, and will implement their suggestions for long-term maintenance, polishing and repair.)

#### (f) Safety:

The Steering Committee and artist have from the beginning, kept the visitors experience, including safety, at the forefront of our vision. As such, precautions have been taken during the design process to insure that the monument will not cause harm to viewers. For example, and as discussed and recommended at the 5/5 RPC Commission meeting, the American flag and the edges of the cut out stars will be softened. Compliance with all applicable ADA requirements will allow appropriate clearance around the structure and easy access to the structure by those who visit.