

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0924

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Mr. Jerry E. Pierce
Chairman
Central Florida Veterans Memorial Park Foundation, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Pierce:

I am pleased to express my strong support for the Central Florida Veterans Memorial Park at Lake Nona. The park, which will ultimately be located adjacent to the new U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, will honor the many veterans who left their families and homes in six Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia, to fight for their country and safeguard the freedom we hold so dear. These individuals made the ultimate sacrifice in multiple conflicts and never returned to their loved ones.

The park will contain a large memorial with smaller granite monuments on each side etched with the names of those who proudly wore the uniform of our country when they were felled in battle. It will allow their loved ones and friends, as well as all Central Floridians, the opportunity to recognize their bravery and honor their memories. Please accept my appreciation for the tireless efforts of members of the Central Florida Veterans Memorial Park Foundation, Inc. to design the park and create an opportunity to honor Floridians who served their country in uniform.

Sincerely,



SUZANNE M. KOSMAS
Member of Congress

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