



30 March 2011

To: Mr. and Mrs. John Doe
1234 Anytime Street
Anywhere, USA xxxxx

From: Commander of the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association

RE: 31st US Infantry Regiment Association Memorial Monument Campaign.

Subject: Request for Donations for a Memorial Monument to Honor the Soldiers Who Have Served in the U.S. Army's 31st Infantry Regiment.

1. The 31st US Infantry Regiment Association is a volunteer tax exempt organization of former and current Soldiers of the 31st Infantry Regiment. The primary purposes of the Association are to provide a means to maintain the history and camaraderie of the Regiment and to honor all Soldiers, past and present, who have served our country as members of one of the United States Army's finest and most valiant fighting regiments.
2. This letter is a one-time request for donations to the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association Monument Campaign. The objective of this campaign is to obtain the funds necessary to complete the creation, emplacement, and, over time, the maintenance of this permanent monument. The monument will honor all of the Soldiers who have served in and, especially, to those Soldier who have died in service to our country while members of the United States Army's 31st Infantry Regiment.
3. This lasting monument to honor the Soldiers of the 31st Infantry Regiment will be sited along the Walk of Honor at the U.S. Army National Infantry Museum located at Fort Benning, Georgia. Sketches and pictures of the permanent memorial are attached as Enclosure 1. Funds donated to the Association will be used to establish and provide for the long term maintenance of the monument.
4. A formal dedication of the monument is planned for 12 August 2011 at the National Infantry Museum as part of the Association Reunion planned for 11 to 14 August 2011 in Columbus, Georgia. Enclosure 2 is a Monument Donation Form to make a tax deductible donation.
5. As the current Commander of the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association, I am proud and honored to initiate this very special campaign for funds to create a lasting tribute to the Soldiers of the Regiment and thank, in advance, all of the friends, patriots, and supporters of this noble effort.

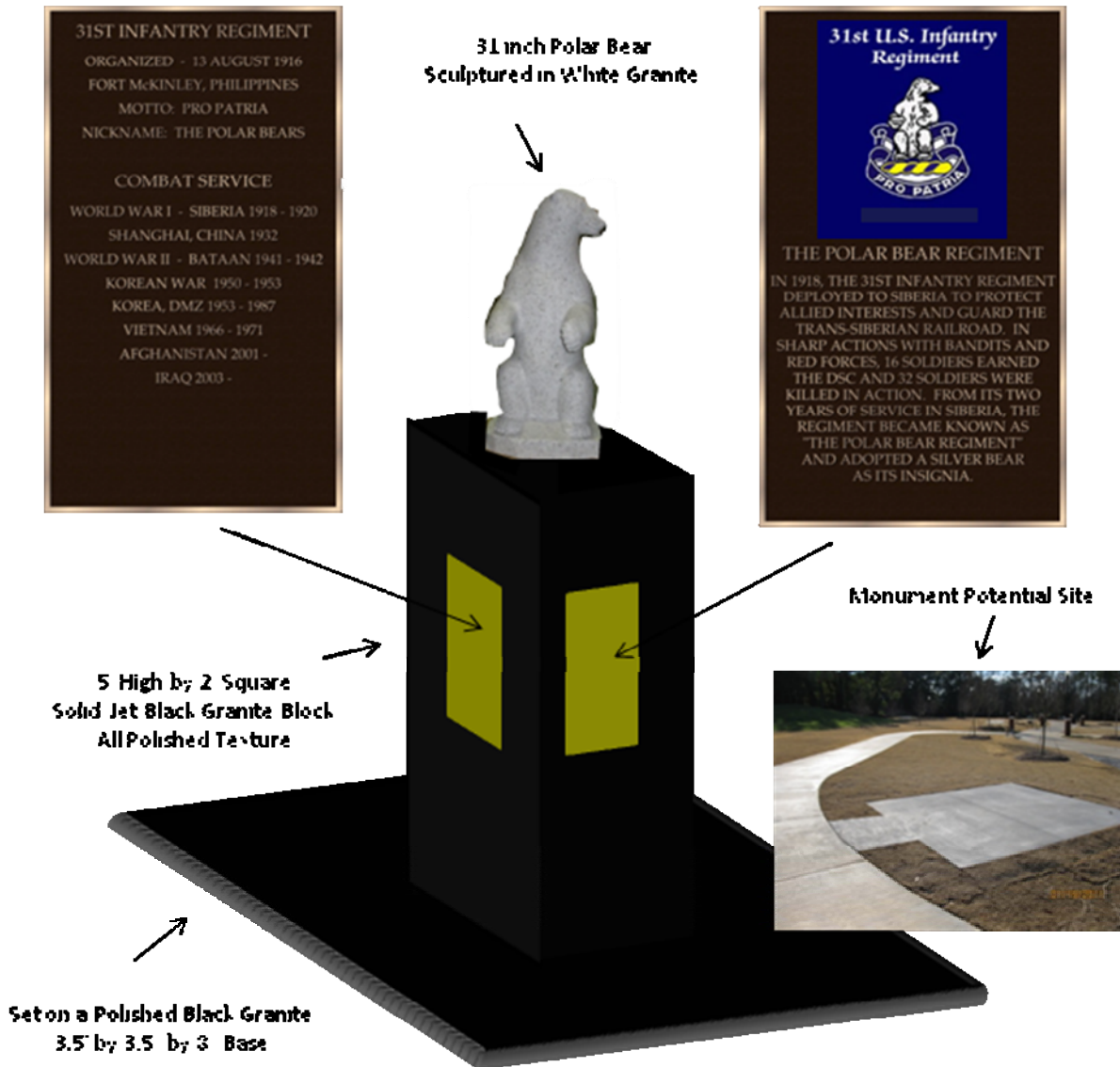
Pro Patria,

Charles E. Tapp
Commander
31st US Infantry Regiment Association, Inc.

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2 Enclosures: as

31ST INFANTRY REGIMENT MEMORIAL - MONUMENT DESIGN



MEMORIAL DESCRIPTION: A sculptured Polar Bear of pure white granite atop a solid 5 foot high and 2 foot square jet black granite stone with two cast bronze plaques each approximately 14" by 24" all set on a polished black granite 3.5 ft by 3.5 ft by 3' base atop a poured concrete foundation set along the Walk of Honor located at the new U.S. Army National Infantry Museum located at Fort Benning GA.

MEMORIAL CONTRACTOR: Columbus Memorial Company Columbus GA.

SCULPTURER: Mr. James Rapport of Clear Point, GA.

Enclosure 1



31st US Infantry Regiment Association
ATTN: Mr. Joe De Angelis - Treasurer
3035 El Rio Drive
Meridian, Idaho 83642

As strong supporter of our Country, our Military, and our Soldiers, it is an honor to be a part of the 31st US Infantry Regiment Association Memorial Campaign. Enclosed is my tax deductible donation for the permanent monument honoring the Soldiers of the U.S. Army 31st Infantry Regiment.

\$10 \$20 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 Other _____

Donor's Name: _____

Donor's Address: _____

Do you wish to honor a particular 31st Infantry Soldier? **Yes** **No**

If yes, cite the full name, military rank, and time of service in the regiment, if known, of the 31st Infantry Regiment Soldier you wish to honor with this donation:

Please make your check or money order payable to "**The 31st US Infantry Regiment Association**" and mail to the address shown above.

(The 31st Infantry Regiment Association is an approved tax exempt organization of past and present members of the Armed Forces under section 501 (c) (19) of the IRS Code.)

Enclosure 2 – 31st US Infantry Association Memorial Campaign Donation Form