

## **Veterans Memorial Park** Museum Committee, Inc.

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Dear Friend of Southern Heritage,

March 7, 2013

I'm pleased and proud to report to you that over the past few years plans have been under development for a world- class veterans park to honor the service of residents of Hillsborough County, Florida who made extreme sacrifices during each war in the County's history (KIA, POW, etc.). But integral in the design is an opportunity to honor all Confederate Veterans from any State or locality (see below.)

The County has committed great resources in converting the existing park and museum into a Veterans shrine...honoring all Veterans from all Wars, beginning with the Seminole War up to and including the Global War on Terror.

The new park will attract thousands of residents and visitors each year to pay tribute to fallen heroes from our area into perpetuity. Upon its completion, the War Between the States ("WBTS") theatre will receive appropriate and proper recognition in the mainstream of the civic landscape—forever.

The Vietnam War Monument was dedicated in 2012, and in January of this year, the design plan for the WBTS Monument was approved.

As Chairman of the WBTS Theatre sub-committee, I'm writing to you to invite you to get in on the ground floor, so to speak, on the kick-off of this project. More than that, as friends of Southern Heritage, we have a responsibility and an extremely <u>rare</u> opportunity to ensure that our Southern history and <u>ALL</u> our Southern Veterans are remembered in a Municipal Park!

First, you're invited to attend the ground-breaking on Saturday, April 20th. The Event will include traditional observance of Confederate Memorial Day in a ceremony on the 'theatre' site. The program will begin promptly at 2 p.m. and last about an hour. Refreshments will be served.

Second, you and/or your organization have an opportunity to join in the funding and building of the Monument, by purchasing an inscribed brick (or repose bench), that will be incorporated as a design element of the Monument. I'm enclosing a brochure in hopes that you will decide to integrate yourself, your organization, a loved one, an ancestor, or even your business into the Monument.

Finally, the Event's commemorative program will include a "Roll of Honor" listing all Veterans, and contributors whose reply has been received by April 5, 2013.

This is a unique opportunity for Southerners to recognize the participation of their Confederate Ancestors in the history of Florida and the South, so if you would like to be included, please act now by marking your calendar and returning your check and brick inscription order.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 813-778-1202 or email me at drmmystery1881@gmail.com.

Looking forward to your participation, LEST WE FORGET....

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