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January 26, 2000

**The Honorable Lee Terry
United States House of Representatives
Longworth House Office Building #1728
New Jersey and Independence Avenues, S.E.
Washington, DC 20515**

Dear Representative Terry:

I am writing to you today for one of my dear friends, Ruth Coder Fitzgerald. Ruth is the founder of the non-profit organization, The Vietnam War In Memory Memorial, Inc.

My purpose is to request your help to ensure the passage of H.R. 3293. This bill is to authorize placement of a 3x3 foot, ground-level memorial plaque near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall), with an inscription to honor veterans whose postwar deaths are attributable to their service, but whose names cannot be added to The Wall.

Representative Elton Gallegly introduced H.R. 3293 in the House of Representatives on November 10, 1999, joined by 104 original co-sponsors. Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell introduced similar legislation, S. 1921, on November 16.

Organizations endorsing the "In Memory" plaque concept include Vietnam Veterans of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, AMVETS, Vietnam Women's Memorial, Inc., Rolling Thunder, Inc., The Korean War Veterans Association, the National Congress of American Indians, the National Conference of Viet Nam Veteran Ministers, the Society of the 173D Airborne Brigade, the Agent Orange Widows Awareness Coalition, and the Vietnam War In Memory Memorial, Inc.

Please join in co-sponsoring and working on behalf of H.R. 3293, if you have not already done so. Thank you in advance for working with your colleagues in this non-partisan effort to clear the way for the In Memory plaque to honor these veterans year-round and offer their families and friends a well-deserved symbol of healing that they can touch and remember.

Sincerely,



P.S. These websites provide additional information:

<http://members.aol.com/VietWarMem/plaque.htm>

<http://house.gov/gallegly/111099vets.htm>

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**The Honorable Charles T. Hagel
United States Senate
Senate Russell Office Building #346
Constitution and Delaware Avenues, N.E.
Washington, DC 20510**

Dear Senator Hagel:

I am writing to you again today for my dear friend, Ruth Coder Fitzgerald. Ruth is the founder of the non-profit organization, The Vietnam War In Memory Memorial, Inc. I previously wrote to you in January, 1998. A copy of that letter is enclosed. I did not receive a response.

My purpose today is to request your support for S. 1921, introduced by Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado on November 16, 1999. Please consider co-sponsoring, as well as voting for, S. 1921 to authorize an approximately 3x3 foot, ground-level memorial plaque near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial with an inscription in memory of veterans whose postwar deaths are attributable to their service, but whose names cannot be added to The Wall.

Representative Elton Gallegly of California's 23rd District introduced H.R. 3293 in the House of Representatives on November 10, 1999, joined by 104 original co-sponsors.

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**The Honorable J. Robert Kerrey
United States Senate
Senate Hart Office Building #141
Constitution Avenue and Second Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20510**

Dear Senator Kerrey:

I am writing to you again today for my dear friend, Ruth Coder Fitzgerald. Ruth is the founder of the non-profit organization, The Vietnam War In Memory Memorial, Inc. I previously wrote to you in January, 1998, and you responded on February 4, 1998. Copies of those letters are enclosed.

My purpose today is to request your support for S. 1921, introduced by Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado on November 16, 1999. Please consider co-sponsoring, as well as voting for, S. 1921 to authorize an approximately 3x3 foot, ground-level memorial plaque near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial with an inscription in memory of veterans whose postwar deaths are attributable to their service, but whose names cannot be added to The Wall.

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