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Honorable Tim Bishop
House of Representatives
225 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Bishop:

On October 1, 2007, you introduced H.R. 3707, a bill to establish a memorial to all victims of terrorism.

The National Capital Memorial Advisory Commission is scheduled to review this proposed legislation at its next meeting which will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, at 1:30 p.m., at the National Building Museum, Suite 312. This is a meeting open to the public, and the public is invited to participate by giving testimony that is relevant in this matter. For that reason we are informing you of this hearing so that you can make any individuals or groups who may have an interest in this legislation aware of the upcoming meeting.

The National Capital Memorial Advisory Commission was established under the Commemorative Works Act of 1986 (40 USC 89, et. seq), which became effective on November 14, 1986. We have enclosed a copy for your information. Section 8904(c) requires the Commission to advise the Secretary of the Interior and the Administrator of the General Services Administration on the establishment of commemorative works in the District of Columbia and its environs, and other matters concerning commemorative works in the Nation's Capital as it may deem appropriate. In addition, Section 8903(d) of that Act states that the Congress shall solicit the views of the Commission in considering legislation authorizing commemorative works within the District of Columbia and its environs.

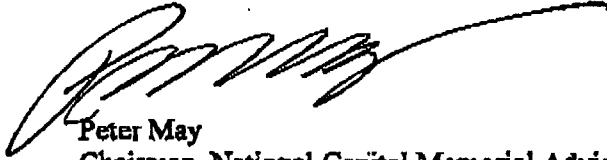
Because of the potential of the recommendations of the Commission to have some impact on the proposed legislation you have introduced, we wanted to make certain that you, as well as all other parties interested in this proposed bill, were aware of the Commission's role, and of their opportunity to participate in the process by giving testimony before the Commission.

The Commission staff is available to assist you if you or others desire to give testimony, or if you should have any questions concerning the process or location of the meeting, and can be

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reached at (202) 619-7097. We ask that we be informed of your plans to testify so that we can schedule this item as early as possible in the agenda for your convenience.

Sincerely,



Peter May
Chairman, National Capital Memorial Advisory Commission

Enclosure