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Memorandum

TO:

ALL SENATORS

FROM:

SENATOR ELDER VOGEL JR.

DATE:

December 3, 2010

RE:

COSPONSORSHIP

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce legislation to amend the County Code to prohibit the removal of flag holders from the graves of veterans.

This legislation was Senate Bill 1464 last session and was previously cosponsored by:

ORIE, ERICKSON, MUSTO, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, BAKER, COSTA, WAUGH, O'PAKE, D. WHITE, PIPPY, FARNESE, TOMLINSON, WASHINGTON, MENSCH and WARD

An American Legion Post in my district has brought to my attention an incident in which the owners of a cemetery had removed the flag holders from the graves of veterans. Many veterans groups use the holders as markers for the placement of new flags every Memorial Day. Currently, the County Code only addresses the care and removal of the flag, not the holder. This legislation would help ensure that our veterans are allowed to rest in peace under the flag they served.

Should you wish to join me in cosponsoring this legislation, please call Lindsay Raker @ 717-787-787-3076 or at lraker@pasen.gov.