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Re: Letter of Support of AB 2439 - Designation of Official State LGBTQ Veterans Memorial at Desert Memorial Park, Cathedral City, CA

District Manager

Kathleen Jurasky

Dear Hon. Assembly Member Garcia,

Desert Memorial Park

31-705 Da Vall Drive

Cathedral City, CA

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I am very pleased to inform you that the Palm Springs Cemetery District Board of Trustees, on March 8, 2018, voted unanimously and enthusiastically to support AB 2439 that will designate the LGBTQ Veterans Memorial at Desert Memorial Park in Cathedral City, as the State's official LGBTQ Veterans Memorial.

Welwood Murray
Cemetery

471 Chino Drive

Palm Springs, CA

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As you surely know, it was a different time in 2001, when our country's LGBTQ service men and women had to serve their country in silence. It was also very forward-thinking at the time for a public agency to take the bold move to publicly recognize (by way of a permanent memorial monument) the contributions and sacrifices made by the many LGBTQ veterans who served side-by-side with their fellow Americans to promote and defend the democratic values all Americans hold so dearly.

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Please know that this memorial monument would not have been possible without the valiant determination of Tom Swann, the courageous support of AMVETS Post 66 and the profound awareness of the Board of Trustees.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish to express the District's sincere gratitude to you for authoring and sponsoring AB 2439.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (760) 328-3316 or via email at kjurasky@pscemetery.com, should you need any additional information regarding the history of memorial monument.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathleen Jurasky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a long, sweeping underline.

Kathleen Jurasky, District Manager

Cc: PSCD Board of Trustees