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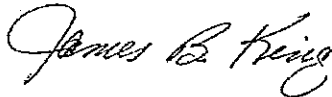
Dear Ms. Pope:

On behalf of the national veterans service organizations we represent, it is a privilege to offer our unqualified support for the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial. We believe this memorial will be a fitting tribute to the men and women whose service and sacrifice have kept us free and safe.

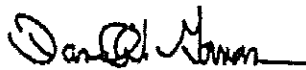
Today, with our nation at war, this project has taken on even greater significance and immediacy. More than 34,000 American servicemembers have been wounded in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Many thousands of others have been evacuated out of theater for serious medical conditions that also may leave them with permanent disabilities as well. And let us not forget that there are some three million men and women from previous wars and eras who have been disabled as a result of their military service.

That's why it is so important that the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial becomes a reality. This is a truly worthy cause, and we call upon our comrades in the wider veterans community to lend their support to this noble effort to honor the service and sacrifice of our nation's disabled veterans — today's and tomorrow's.

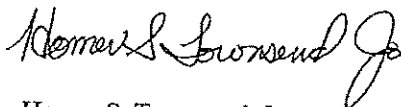
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