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Ms. Karen Durham-Aguilera
Executive Director
Office of Army Cemeteries
1 Memorial Avenue
Arlington, VA 22211

Dear Ms. Durham-Aguilera:

On behalf of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA), I support the request by the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces (NCMAF) to update and make improvements to the existing Protestant Chaplains Monument.

The NCMAF proposes to update and extend the life of the existing memorial which is deteriorating and in need of replacement. The NCMAF proposes replacing the concrete structure with a new granite monument, then adding the names of the 25 Protestant Chaplains who have given their lives in support of the nation during conflicts after World War II.

These improvements would be made at no cost to Arlington National Cemetery or the United States Government.

If approved, the existing Protestant Chaplains Monument plaques for World War I and II would be transferred onto the new monument above the new plaque and the new monument would be installed in the original space on Chaplains Hill.

I recommend approval and support for the request of the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces (NCMAF) to update and extend the life of the Protestant Chaplains Monument. Approval will honor those Protestant Chaplains who have selflessly given their lives in service to our nation.

Thank you for considering this request.

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