

CARMEL POST 512 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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Dear Mr. Dyar,

About the proposed inscription on the historic plaque for the WWI Veterans' Monument, the leadership of Post 512, and myself as Post Commander, wish to unequivocally confirm our support for the inclusive list of those who served in support of The Great War that was presented to you with our June 6, 2021 project application.

While I am not a historian, Ian Martin is. I believe that the research and documentation he has provided clearly shows the intent of the architect and the community, an inclusive Monument to all Armed Service members of WWI and the Carmelites that served in support of our troops and the larger war efforts.

The historic evidence he uncovered regarding the names of those who served in WWI, and how the Carmel community and its veterans of that generation chose to honor them, convinced us that this is the proper list of names for the proposed dedicatory plaque. We are proud that the founding veterans of Post 512 chose to be inclusive when honoring those who served and proud to continue that tradition.

We at American Legion Post 512 formally request that the HRB approve the list of names of Those Who Served in WWI as originally submitted.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gerry Paratore', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Gerry Paratore
Commander, Post 512