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January 8, 1962

Mrs. Amos A. Wyckoff
41438 Denise Street
Fremont, California

Dear Mrs. Wyckoff:

Your letter of October 4 to the President concerning the proposed "Spirit of Freedom" Monument in San Francisco Harbor, California, has been referred to this Office for consideration and reply.

We are pleased to learn from your letter and enclosed material the objectives of the Spirit of Freedom Monument Association in sponsoring this proposed memorial monument. The National Park Service has neither the funds nor the authority to participate in the proposed program of the Association. National memorial monument projects of this character are usually initiated and approved by the Congress.

Your interest in perpetuating the patriotic traditions of America is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

(SGD) HERBERT E. KAHLER

Herbert E. Kahler
Chief, Division of
History and Archeology

Copy to: ~~Regional Director, Region Four w/c of inc.~~
~~Branch of History w/c of inc.~~

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Santa Rosa, Calif.,

May 15, 1971

Hon. Mayor Joseph Alioto
City Of San Francisco
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mayor Alioto:

This is a great opportunity for you and Mrs Wyckoff to go down in History as a great and timely patriot. Copies of this to Temaris & Belosi.

On May 7th we watched and heard a newscast that informed the public that it is contemplated to set aside approximately 10,000 acres of area for a vast recreational park. It was stated that a portion of the Presidio grounds might be included if approved by the General Services Administration.

On several occasions we have written to Mayor Joseph Alioto, of San Francisco pointing out that an truly great old Patriot, Amos A, Wyckoff conceived the idea of erecting a momentarily inspirational monument either on a island in the bay of San Francisco or on the coast line where it may be observed by every person coming into the city of San Francisco via the San Francisco bay and the Golden Gate bridge.

We are inclosing a card sketch originated by Mr. Wyckoff who is now deceased, but only a few days before his departure to THE GREAT Beyond he and his wife Mrs Bernice Wyckoff asked this writer to assist Mrs Wyckoff in bring this great and noble edifice to the attention of Legislative bodies in Washington D.C. and other officials who may have the foresight to see what a timely project is offered by the great Patriots Mr & Mrs Wyckoff. The official title proposed by them is " THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM"

Thus, I am at this time renewing our request that a site near the Golden Gate entrance be given serious consideration. I am inclosing only a card for consideration to which there were added two additional provisions which are quoted herein case you may not be able to obtain our full presentation as it was given before the Presidential Commission at the time Alcatraz Island was first offered to San Francisco.

The two new proposals are:

14- The inside walls of each of the 50 "cogs" or State display rooms will be placed--metal plates bearing names and service records of all military personnel who lost their lives for the cause of Freedom.

15- Inscriptions over principal gate or door entrances bearing the words- "PEACE BE WITH US- RIGHT SHALL PREVAIL."

Who so ever it is who authorizes and sees to it that this Monument " SPIRIT OF FREEDOM" is included with plans for development of the proposed recreational park will surely go down in History as a great and timely Patriot.

I have only one full set of provisions as set forth to the Presidential Commission in August 1964 and could bring it to a meeting if such is included in plans for development of the Presidio grounds for a perpetual recreation park and Monument dedicated to our Military heroes in the name of--" THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM."

With utmost sincerity I am;

Charles W. Warburton

CHARLES W. WARBURTON
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May 26, 1971

Mr. Charles W. Warburton
143 Sherwood Drive
Santa Rosa, California 95405

Dear Mr. Warburton:

This will acknowledge your letter to Mayor Alioto of May 15, in which you re-submit Amos Wyckoff's suggestion for a monument visible from the Golden Gate.

Your letter has been placed on the Mayor's desk for his information and consideration.

Thank you for taking the time to keep the Mayor informed of your progress with this project. We appreciate your interest in San Francisco.

Sincerely,

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Warren D. Hanson
Assistant Director
Public Service

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Santa Rosa, Calif., *Warburton*
July 27, 1971

Dr. Edward Hagar, Supervisor,
City Of San Francisco Mayor's Office
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Dr. Hagar:

Observed the Television broadcast where it was proposed ^{GIL AUG - 271} to make use of a portion of the Presidio of San Francisco along with other land properties for the purpose of establishment of a much needed National Park. In this connection and to make the San Francisco area a world-wide attraction I wish to call your attention to a proposal given to Mayor Alioto over two years ago concerning the use of part of the recreational area for the "SPIRIT OF FREEDOM" monument which is briefly described in the enclosed card.

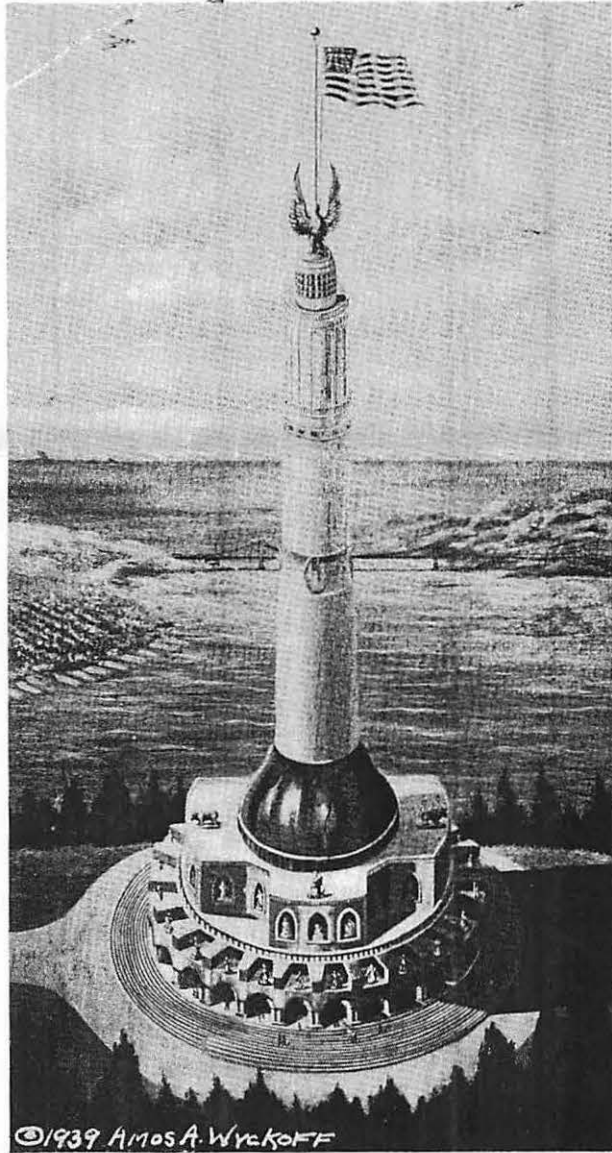
I am certain the Mayor can locate the previous correspondence concerning this proposal as I wrote to him about it May 15, 1971 and as he was away from San Francisco at the time. Warren D. Hanson, Assistant Director Public Service replied on May 26 stating that he would refer the renewal of the proposal to the Mayor upon his return.

Will you kindly let me know if I may be of assistance in further explanation and history of the founder Amos Wyckoff who asked me to assist his wife to carry on with the promotion of this most worthy edifice that would indeed attract people from all over the world to come to see it. It has great historical value as you will see upon reviewing the files.

Yours sincerely,

Charles W. Warburton

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PROPOSED
SPIRIT OF FREEDOM MONUMENT
To be erected on an island in San Francisco Bay
OVER

"SPIRIT OF FREEDOM"

Explanation of Monument

NOTE 2 NEW STATES and 2 NEW PROVISIONS

1. The thirteen steps represent the first thirteen Colonies.
2. There are 50 columns—one to represent each State.
3. The gear wheel represents the power of our United States.
4. There are 50 cogs—one for each State in the Union, to represent the power of each State. Inside each cog will be the exhibit room for each State.
5. Between each cog will be placed a statue of the pioneers who fought their way here, to make it possible for our people to live.
6. The building is built in four crosslike sections with niches in which to place statues.
7. On top of the building facing the north and south will be the California Bear.
8. Facing the east will be a statue of the first mother of California holding a child; which represents, as the sun rises, the newborn is coming to light.
9. Facing the west will be a statue of the first emigrant scout of California.
10. The Liberty Bell forms the dome. Inside the dome will be paintings of war scenes. Also a statue of the man who rang the Liberty Bell so hard he cracked it.
11. Then comes the tower, rising to a great height of approximately 800 feet. In this tower will be elevators running to the observation room, where visitors will pay a small fee to view the San Francisco Bay Area and the Pacific Ocean. This income can be used toward the upkeep.
12. On top of the tower will be a powerful light for the protection of airplanes.
13. Four large American eagles, representing the keenness of vision of our United States, will face the north, south, east and west. The eagles, to be outlined in Neon lights, are guarding the American flag, which is flying high over their heads.

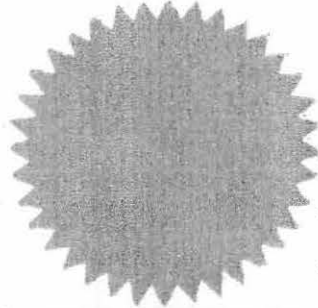
14. METAL PLATES BEARING NAMES OF ALL CASUALTIES

15. WORDS RIGHT SHALL PREVAIL & PEACE BE
MEMBERSHIP CARD SHALL BE

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