

April 22, 2026

Erik Cedarleaf Dahl, Executive Secretary
Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board
625 N Robert St
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: Site Location for Proposed EMS LODD Memorial

Dear Mr. Cedarleaf Dahl,

The Department of Administration (Admin) supports locating the EMS LODD Memorial on the previous site of the USS Ward Gun and the green space immediately north of it as discussed with staff on April 22. The design for this memorial should include an investigation of soil conditions and archaeology.

In addition, steps should be taken to protect and preserve the trees on this site.

Sincerely,



Kari Suchy, Facilities Management Director
Minnesota Department of Administration