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Honoring John and Mark Finnegan for Organizing the "VetsRoll" Project for WW II Veterans

WHEREAS, John and Mark Finnegan recognized that World War II Veterans are now at advanced ages that makes it difficult for them to travel and visit places such as the WW II Memorial in Washington DC, which opened in April 2004 to honor their service to this county; and,

WHEREAS, John and Mark also realized that unless they took it upon themselves to do something, many state line World War II Veterans would not have the chance to make that trip in their lifetime; and,

WHEREAS, John and Mark came up with the concept of a project and called it "VetsRoll," which had the mission to sponsor, fund raise, find volunteers, and solicit state line World War II Veterans for an all expense paid trip to Washington DC to visit sites including the WW II Memorial; and,

WHEREAS, they tirelessly promoted the project in the spring of 2010 and on May 17th "VetsRoll" setoff with over 100 Veterans in a caravan of 3 buses and 10 motor homes on a four day round trip to Washington, DC; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Finnegan, who drove one of the motor homes on the 1,500-mile round trip, said the experience was wonderful for the Veterans.

Respectfully submitted,

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