

Open Letter to the Vietnamese Community

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For a time, the American Veterans community believed that you had been misinformed and forced by the Park Board of Wichita into the position of claiming a right to have a memorial to your South Vietnamese military in the American Veterans Park or lose your chance to have your memorial on city property. We now know that alternate property is available to you in a prime location. We can no longer believe that you are not aware that you are showing profound disrespect for the military traditions and for the service men and women of your adoptive country. Forcing a memorial to the military of a foreign government will not also force respect for your soldiers.

You have seen ample evidence that your memorial is offensive to the very people you say you are thanking, the American combat forces. If your community does not withdraw your request to place the memorial in the Veteran's Memorial Park, your "memorial" will stand as a constant reminder of your disrespect and disregard for the traditions of America and of the American military.

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