



# AGENDA REPORT

SAN CLEMENTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Meeting Date: August 15, 2017

Agenda Item 6L  
Approvals:  
City Manager gym  
Dept. Head \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney \_\_\_\_\_  
Finance QW

**Department:** City Manager LS  
**Prepared By:** Laura Ferguson, Public Information Officer

**Subject:** CONSIDERATION OF A DONATION FOR 2/4 INSIGNIA-BRONZE PLAQUE AT PARK SEMPER FI

**Fiscal Impact:** \$500.00

**Summary:** The Heritage of San Clemente Foundation (Heritage) is fundraising for an insignia-bronze plaque at Park Semper Fi to honor San Clemente's adopted Marine Corps Unit, the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines ("Magnificent Bastards"), located at Camp Pendleton. This plaque of their insignia will be affixed to the Honor Wall commemorating San Clemente's support for these men and women who have gallantry served our nation since 1911. From 1911 to present there have been 1,009 Marines from the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines who have sacrificed their lives in service to our country.

**Background:** The insignia will be placed at The Marine Monument at Park Semper Fi which was dedicated in 2005, and overlooks the Pacific Ocean and San Clemente Pier. Many military activities co-coordinated by the Heritage and the City take place here, including Marine weddings, Re-enlistment, and Memorial Ceremonies. Also, the annual Memorial Day & Veterans Day/Marine Corps Birthday Ceremonies are hosted here, as is a 4th of July potluck for Marines/Sailors and their families to watch the pier fireworks show.

**Discussion:** In the middle of Park Semper Fi is a 10-foot statue of a Marine saluting the American and Marine flags overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Surrounding the park there are plaques honoring many active duty and retired Marines and Sailors. The new plaque honoring the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines will be dedicated on Veterans Day 2017, along with the Marine Corps Birthday celebrating 243 years of USMC. The Heritage has been actively promoting its fundraiser, as has the City on its Website and Facebook page to meet its \$4,000 fundraising goal in support of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 1st Marine Division so that their sacrifice to America can be honored. The Heritage is a non-profit 501c3 Foundation #33-0776720. All donations are tax deductible.

**Recommended Action:** STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT the City Council approve a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Heritage of San Clemente Foundation for the 2/4 insignia-bronze plaque and a transfer from Council Contingency Reserve Account # 001-203-44900 to Marine Unit Support Account #001-202-44756.

**Attachments:** Picture of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines Bronze Insignia

**Notification:** Wayne Eggleston, Executive Director, The Heritage of San Clemente Foundation

Bronze Insignia 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines

